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H.B. No. 1126

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the qualifications for incentives for the film, television, and multimedia production industries.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 485.021(2), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(2) "Moving image project" means a visual and sound production, including a film, television program, national or multistate commercial, educational or instructional video, or digital interactive media production. The term does not include a production that:

(A) is obscene, as defined by Section 43.21, Penal Code; or

(B) the office determines will probably on completion meet the qualifications for:

(i) an "R" or "NC-17" rating issued by the Motion Picture Association of America, as those qualifications existed on September 1, 2015; or

(ii) an "M" or "A" rating issued by the Entertainment Software Rating Board, as those qualifications existed on September 1, 2015.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an application for a grant under Section 485.022(b), Government Code, submitted on or after the effective date of this Act. An

1 application submitted before the effective date of this Act is  
2 governed by the law in effect when the application was submitted,  
3 and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.