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Dear Chairman Guzzone and Members of the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee,

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to let you know what previous tax credits have done for our business in the past and hopefully will continue on into the future.

We have a furniture consignment store. Starting with shows and movies like Veep, Game Change, House of Cards, Lioness and several others, we have been the beneficiaries of tax credit legislation for the entertainment industry. Set decorators have added to our bottom line and helped us keep people employed in our store. They have spent many tens of thousands of dollars for furniture and accessories to be used in their productions.

At the end of these productions we also sometimes get the opportunity to take back furniture and accessories to re sell which also adds to our bottom line.

We are only one vendor so I can imagine how many others also benefit. I have become familiar with some of the people from Baltimore's IATSE local who work on these shows and must be happy to be employed as a result of the legislation. People coming from other places to work on these shows are also putting money back in to Maryland's economy just by staying here and spending money.

Hopefully you will continue to continue to fund these credits.

Thank you so much for what has already been done.

Respectfully,

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