

1 AN ACT

2 relating to use of state buildings and grounds by a television or
3 film production company.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2165, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 2165.008 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 2165.008. TEMPORARY USE OF STATE BUILDING OR GROUNDS
8 BY TELEVISION OR FILM PRODUCTION COMPANY. (a) In this section:

9 (1) "Office" means the Music, Film, Television, and
10 Multimedia Office.

11 (2) "Production company" means a film production
12 company, television production company, or film and television
13 production company.

14 (b) A state agency or other state governmental entity shall
15 allow a production company to use any state building or grounds
16 under the agency's or other entity's charge and control to produce a
17 film, national broadcast, episodic television series, or
18 commercial that is approved by the office and the agency or other
19 entity under Subsection (c).

20 (c) The office shall review each proposal by a production
21 company to use a state building or grounds. The office may approve
22 a proposal, subject to the final approval of the state agency or
23 other state governmental entity that occupies the building or uses
24 the grounds, if:

1 (1) the office and the state agency or other state
2 governmental entity that occupies the building or uses the grounds
3 determine, after the office consults with each agency or entity,
4 that the use will not significantly interfere with the conduct of
5 state business;

6 (2) the production company provides a certificate of
7 insurance covering the production:

8 (A) in an amount required by the office; and

9 (B) that names the state as an insured; and

10 (3) the proposal is to produce:

11 (A) a film, national broadcast, or episodic
12 television series with a total production cost of \$250,000 or more;
13 or

14 (B) a commercial with a total production cost of
15 \$100,000 or more.

16 (d) The office shall supervise each use of a state building
17 or grounds by a production company subject to the control and final
18 authority of the state agency or other state governmental entity
19 that occupies the building or uses the grounds.

20 (e) The office shall determine the fee to be charged for
21 each day that a state building or grounds are used by a production
22 company. The office may allow each state building or grounds to be
23 used without charge, other than the reimbursement of expenses under
24 Subsection (f), for seven days during each state fiscal year and may
25 determine the allocation of those days. Fees collected under this
26 subsection shall be deposited to the credit of the general revenue
27 fund.

1 (f) The production company shall reimburse:

2 (1) a state agency or other state governmental entity
3 for any cost incurred by the agency or other entity as a result of
4 the use of a state building or grounds by the company; and

5 (2) the state agency or other state governmental
6 entity having charge and control of a state building or grounds for
7 the cost of repairing damage to the building or grounds resulting
8 from use by the company.

9 (g) A state agency or other state governmental entity shall
10 notify the production company in writing of any cost subject to
11 reimbursement under Subsection (f). The production company shall
12 reimburse the cost not later than the 21st day after the date on
13 which it receives notice from the agency or other entity.

14 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

David Newburn

President of the Senate

Jim Caddick

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 374 was passed by the House on March 28, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 374 on May 1, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Robert Nancy
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 374 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on April 26, 2007, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Patricia Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 11 MAY '07

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Governor

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