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SENATE BILL 188

55TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2022

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY; REQUIRING CERTAIN PERSONS EMPLOYED
IN FILMMAKING TO COMPLETE HUNTER SAFETY TRAINING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Film Production Tax
Credit Act is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] FILMMAKING--EMPLOYEES--HUNTER SAFETY
TRAINING REQUIREMENT.--

A. All individuals employed in New Mexico by a film
production company that has firearms or firearm ammunition
physically located on the premises where filming is taking
place shall have a valid certificate of competency in the safe
handling of firearms pursuant to the Hunter Training Act.

B. A film production company that employs
individuals not in compliance with the provisions of Subsection

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1 A of this section shall not be eligible for tax credits
2 pursuant to the Film Production Tax Credit Act, including film
3 and television tax credits for the calendar year in which the
4 violation occurs.

5 C. As used in this section:

6 (1) "firearm" means any weapon that will or is
7 designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile
8 by the action of an explosion, including the frame or receiver
9 of any such weapon, any firearm muffler or firearm silencer and
10 any handgun, rifle or shotgun whether or not it is in a
11 permanently inoperable condition; and

12 (2) "firearm ammunition" means any self-
13 contained unit consisting of the case, primer, propellant
14 charge and projectile for use in a firearm from which is
15 expelled a projectile by the force of explosion or other form
16 of combustion and includes blank ammunition used in the course
17 of filmmaking that is not intended to expel a projectile."

18 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
19 provisions of this act is January 1, 2023.