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AN ACT to amend the tax law and chapter 60 of the laws of 2004 amending the tax law relating to providing tax credits for certain costs incurred in film and television productions, in relation to the amount of such credits against taxes administered by cities of one million or more

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision (b) of section 1201-a of the tax law, as amended by section 5 of part Y of chapter 62 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

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(b) Empire state film production credit. Any city in this state having population of one million or more, acting through its local legislative body, is hereby authorized to adopt and amend local laws to allow a credit against the general corporation tax and the unincorporated busitax imposed pursuant to the authority of chapter seven hundred seventy-two of the laws of nineteen hundred sixty-six which shall be substantially identical to the credit allowed under section twenty-four of this chapter, except that (A) the percentage of qualified production costs used to calculate such credit shall be [five] FIFTEEN percent, (B) whenever such section twenty-four references the state, such words shall read as referencing the city, (C) such credit shall be allowed only to a taxpayer which is a qualified film production company, and (D) the effective date of such credit shall be July first, two thousand [six] Such credit shall be applied in a manner consistent with the EIGHT. allowed under subdivision thirty-six of section two hundred ten credit of this chapter except as may be necessary to take into account differences between the general corporation tax and the unincorporated business tax.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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S 2. Subdivision (b) of section 7 of part P of chapter 60 of the laws of 2004 amending the tax law relating to providing tax credits for certain costs incurred in film and television productions, as amended by section 2 of part Y of chapter 62 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

- (b) The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed pursuant to the authority of subdivision (b) of section 1201-a of the tax law in any calendar year shall be \$12.5 million in 2004 and 2005 [and], \$30 million in 2006 through [2011] 2009, \$32.5 MILLION IN 2010, \$37.5 MILLION IN 2011, \$42.5 MILLION IN 2012, \$45 MILLION IN 2013 AND 2014, AND \$55 MILLION IN 2015. Such aggregate amount of credits shall be allocated by the mayor's office of film, theater and broadcasting among taxpayers in order of priority based upon the date of filing an application for allocation of film production credit with such office. If the total amount of allocated credits applied for in any particular year exceeds the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed for such year under this section, such excess shall be treated as having been applied for on the first day of the subsequent year.
- 19 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately and applies to taxable 20 years beginning on or after July 1, 2010 and shall apply to applications 21 filed on or after the date it becomes a law.