

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §11-13X-12

§11-13X-12. Economic development; utilization of state locations, talent, and production companies.

(a) The West Virginia Office of Economic Development, in consultation and coordination with the appropriate public and private entities, shall promote, foster, encourage, and monitor the development of the film industry in this state as part of its comprehensive economic development strategy for West Virginia and report recommendations for expanding the industry in the state to the Governor and the Joint Committee on Government and Finance annually on or before December 1.

(b) The West Virginia Office of Economic Development shall coordinate with property owners, musicians and other performers, and other managers of resources suitable for film production to develop a database of locations, music, and other resources available for incorporation into film projects. To the greatest feasible extent, the Economic Development Office shall establish methods for interface with national and international databases of these resources that are available to, or used by, film and video production teams in the identification and selection of location, music, and other resources. The Economic Development Office shall also implement means for property owners and for staff in the field to connect to the state's database and to submit entries or nominations thereto.