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Referred to Committee on COMMERCE

Introduced by:

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SEN. COHEN, 12th Dist.
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***AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED INVESTMENT IN ARTS,
CULTURE AND TOURISM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That the Department of Economic and Community Development be
- 2 required to increase economic activity and workforce development by
- 3 increasing investment in arts, culture and tourism in the state, and to
- 4 create processes to identify strategic goals, metrics and accountability
- 5 structures for such investment, which shall be supported by the
- 6 appropriation of the sum of fifty-eight million five hundred thousand
- 7 dollars to said department, from the General Fund, for (1) state-wide
- 8 marketing for strategic initiatives, (2) all qualifying nonprofit arts and
- 9 culture organizations, (3) maintaining current investments in select arts,

10 culture and tourism organizations, (4) arts, culture and tourism
11 infrastructure, and (5) arts, culture and tourism workforce
12 development.

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Economic and Community Development to increase economic activity and workforce development by increasing investment in arts, culture and tourism in the state, and to create processes to identify strategic goals, metrics and accountability structures for such investment, which shall be supported by the appropriation of the sum of fifty-eight million five hundred thousand dollars to said department, from the General Fund.