

# Fair Treatment for Musicians & Taxpayers

## Our taxes subsidize film & television studios as they slash Musicians Pay!

### Film & TV Studios pocket billions of our tax dollars

- \$420 million from New York
- \$330 million from California
- \$600 million from Georgia
- Over 30 other states provide millions more
- The new 2017 U.S. tax law made all filming costs 100% deductible - with no cap!

### Using our tax dollars for their streaming content

- Disney: \$24 billion
- NBCUniversal: \$13 billion
- WarnerMedia: \$11 billion

Meanwhile, studios are demanding a **50-75% PAY CUT** for musicians for streaming!

**Musicians Across the Country are Banding Together to say That's Not Right!**

### Join us and take action:

- Tax Transparency: The U.S. Treasury should account for the dollars lost from the new section 168(k) uncapped deduction for all costs associated with filming
- Expanded federal/state domestic content rules: We should ensure that companies receiving our tax dollars create jobs here including post-production music.
- Demand that the studios using our tax dollars, including Disney, Warner Bros, Universal, Paramount, ABC, NBC, and CBS pay musicians fairly!

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### *Full employment and full pension funds for everyone else*

- *The Hollywood Teamsters had more pension hours paid into their fund last year than any other year in history*
- *Writers, actors, directors, I.A.T.S.E. workers and other crew are at full employment in California, in Georgia, in New York and elsewhere around the country*
- *Where is our share of the pie?*

### *But for musicians..*

- *Tax dollars that subsidize good jobs for everyone else frequently subsidize our jobs - in London, in Prague, etc.*
- *Streaming projects that pay substandard wages cheat our pension fund doubly - no contributions from our residuals fund, and paltry contributions from paltry wages*