



## **Senator spends 'Weekends'**

Holden-helmed comedy sold in U.K., Australia

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Senator Intl. will handle international sales to Gold Circle Films' high concept comedy "The Long Weekend," starring Chris Klein and Brendan Fehr, under the two companies' existing multipicture co-financing venture.

Currently shooting in Vancouver, pic has already sold distribution rights to Entertainment Film Distributors in the U.K. and to Hoyts Cinemas/Universal in Australia.

Senator and Gold Circle inked a four pic co-financing deal at last year's Cannes Film Festival (Daily Variety, May 16).

First two pics under that deal are "White Noise," a supernatural thriller and "Something Borrowed," a romantic comedy.

"Weekend," penned by Tad Safran, concerns two brothers who have very different ideas about how to spend a crucial weekend.

Pic is being directed by British commercials director Pat Holden. Gold Circle's Paul Brooks is producing with Shawn Williamson of Brightlight Pictures. Exec producers are Vin Di Bona, Peter Safran and Stephen Hegyes.

Paula Call, senior VP of business and legal affairs at Senator Intl., negotiated the deal with Gold Circle's Scott Niemeyer.