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By Representative Kenney

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1 On page 1, beginning on line 13, strike all of subsection (3) and 2 insert the following:

3 "(3)(a) Subject to (b) of this subsection, the department shall
4 collect a voluntary donation of five dollars on each master business
5 application and each renewal application. The voluntary donations
6 must be deposited in the business assistance account created in RCW
7 28B.30.531 and be used by the small business development center
8 administrator or the administrator's designee for business
9 assistance purposes as provided in RCW 28B.30.530.

(b) The voluntary donation provided for under (a) of this 10 11 subsection may not be collected from any master business applicant 12 or applicant for renewal who actively opts not to participate in the 13 voluntary donation program. The department shall ensure that the 14 opportunity to opt out of the voluntary donation program under this 15 subsection is made clear master business to applicants and 16 applicants for renewal, and the opportunity to opt out of the 17 voluntary donation program must be provided by the department at 18 each application or renewal."

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EFFECT: Clarifies the small business assistance voluntary donation program by: (1) removing a reference to fees; (2) requiring notice of the opportunity to opt out of the voluntary donation program at each application or renewal, rather than annually; and (3) reorganizing the subsection and making terminology changes consistent with the voluntary donation program.