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By House General Government Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Kenney, Maxwell, Hasegawa, Sullivan, Lias, Clibborn, Ericks, Pettigrew, Chase, Conway, Probst, Kelley, Simpson, Sells, Goodman, Hudgins, Morrell, and Santos)

READ FIRST TIME 02/09/10.

1 AN ACT Relating to expanding small business development centers;
2 amending RCW 19.02.075, 19.02.080, and 28B.30.530; and providing an
3 effective date.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.02.075 and 1995 c 403 s 1007 are each amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (1) The department shall collect a fee of fifteen dollars on each
8 master application. The entire master application fee shall be
9 deposited in the master license fund.

10 (2) The department shall collect a fee of nine dollars on each
11 renewal application. Renewal application fees shall be deposited in
12 the master license fund.

13 (3) The department shall collect a donation of five dollars on each
14 initial application and each renewal application. The donation
15 required under this section may not be collected from any master
16 business applicant actively opting not to participate in the donation
17 program. The department shall ensure that the opt-out donation under
18 this section shall be made clear to master business applicants, and the
19 opportunity not to participate in the donation program must be provided

1 by the department annually at the time of application. These fees must
2 be deposited by the department in the business assistance account
3 created in RCW 28B.30.531, and used by the small business development
4 center administrator or the administrator's designee for business
5 assistance purposes as provided in RCW 28B.30.530.

6 **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.02.080 and 1992 c 107 s 3 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 All fees and donations collected under the system shall be
9 deposited with the state treasurer. Upon issuance or renewal of the
10 master license or supplemental licenses, the department shall
11 distribute the fees, except for fees covered under RCW 19.02.210
12 ~~((and))~~, for fees covered under RCW 19.80.075, and for donations
13 collected under RCW 19.02.075(3), to the appropriate accounts under the
14 applicable statutes for those agencies' licenses.

15 **Sec. 3.** RCW 28B.30.530 and 2009 c 486 s 1 are each amended to read
16 as follows:

17 (1) The board of regents of Washington State University shall
18 establish the Washington State University small business development
19 center.

20 (2) The center shall provide management and technical assistance
21 including but not limited to training, counseling, and research
22 services to small businesses throughout the state. The center shall
23 work with the department of ~~((community, trade, and economic~~
24 ~~development)) commerce, the state board for community and technical
25 colleges, the higher education coordinating board, the workforce
26 training and education coordinating board, the employment security
27 department, the Washington state economic development commission,
28 associate development organizations, and workforce development councils
29 to:~~

30 (a) Integrate small business development centers with other state
31 and local economic development and workforce development programs;

32 (b) Target the centers' services to small businesses;

33 (c) Tailor outreach and services at each center to the needs and
34 demographics of entrepreneurs and small businesses located within the
35 service area;

1 (d) Establish and expand small business development center
2 satellite offices when financially feasible; and

3 (e) Coordinate delivery of services to avoid duplication.

4 (3) The administrator of the center may contract with other public
5 or private entities for the provision of specialized services.

6 (4) The small business development center may accept and disburse
7 federal grants or federal matching funds or other funds or donations
8 from any source when made, granted, or donated to carry out the
9 center's purposes. When drawing on funds from the business assistance
10 account created in RCW (~~(30.60.010)~~) 28B.30.531, the center must first
11 use the funds to make increased management and technical assistance
12 available to existing small businesses and start-up businesses at
13 satellite offices. The funds may also be used to develop and expand
14 assistance programs such as small business planning workshops and small
15 business counseling.

16 (5) The legislature directs the small business development center
17 to request United States small business administration approval of a
18 special emphasis initiative, as permitted under 13 C.F.R. 130.340(c) as
19 of April 1, 2009, to target assistance to Washington state's smaller
20 businesses. This initiative would be negotiated and included in the
21 first cooperative agreement application process that occurs after July
22 26, 2009.

23 (6) By December 1, 2009, and December 1, 2010, respectively, the
24 center shall provide a written progress report and a final report to
25 the appropriate committees of the legislature with respect to the
26 requirements in subsections (2) and (5) of this section and the amount
27 and use of funding received through the business assistance account.
28 The reports must also include data on the number, location, staffing,
29 and budget levels of satellite offices; affiliations with community
30 colleges, associate development organizations or other local
31 organizations; the number, size, and type of small businesses assisted;
32 and the types of services provided. The reports must also include
33 information on the outcomes achieved, such as jobs created or retained,
34 private capital invested, and return on the investment of state and
35 federal dollars.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act take effect
2 October 1, 2010.

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