
SENATE BILL 6669

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Development, Trade & Innovation.

1 AN ACT Relating to the small business development center; and
2 amending RCW 28B.30.530 and 19.02.075.

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

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

6 (1) The board of regents of Washington State University (~~shall~~)
7 must establish the Washington State University small business
8 development center.

9 (2) The center (~~shall~~) must provide management and technical
10 assistance including but not limited to training, counseling, and
11 research services to small businesses throughout the state. The center
12 (~~shall~~) must work with the department of (~~community, trade, and~~
13 ~~economic development~~) commerce, the state board for community and
14 technical colleges, the higher education coordinating board, the
15 workforce training and education coordinating board, the employment
16 security department, the Washington state economic development
17 commission, associate development organizations, and workforce
18 development councils to:

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

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

4 (c) Tailor outreach and services at each center to the needs and
5 demographics of entrepreneurs and small businesses located within the
6 service area;

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

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

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

12 (4) The small business development center may accept and disburse
13 federal grants or federal matching funds or other funds or donations
14 from any source when made, granted, or donated to carry out the
15 center's purposes. When drawing on funds from the business assistance
16 account created in RCW (~~(30.60.010)~~) 28B.30.531, the center must
17 (~~(first use the funds to make increased management and technical~~
18 ~~assistance available to small and start-up businesses at satellite~~
19 ~~offices)) give priority to the expansion of its existing services to
20 start-up businesses. The funds may also be used (~~(to develop and~~
21 ~~expand assistance programs such as small business planning workshops~~
22 ~~and small business counseling)) for the development and provision of
23 new training, planning, counseling, and technical assistance services.~~~~

24 (5) The legislature directs the small business development center
25 to request United States small business administration approval of a
26 special emphasis initiative, as permitted under 13 C.F.R. 130.340(c) as
27 of April 1, 2009, to target assistance to Washington state's smaller
28 businesses. This initiative would be negotiated and included in the
29 first cooperative agreement application process that occurs after July
30 26, 2009.

31 (6) By December 1, 2009, and December 1, 2010, respectively, the
32 center shall provide a written progress report and a final report to
33 the appropriate committees of the legislature with respect to the
34 requirements in subsections (2) and (5) of this section and the amount
35 and use of funding received through the business assistance account.
36 The reports must also include data on the number, location, staffing,
37 and budget levels of satellite offices; affiliations with community
38 colleges, associate development organizations or other local

1 organizations; the number, size, and type of small businesses assisted;
2 and the types of services provided. The reports must also include
3 information on the outcomes achieved, such as jobs created or retained,
4 private capital invested, and return on the investment of state and
5 federal dollars.

6 **Sec. 2.** RCW 19.02.075 and 1995 c 403 s 1007 are each amended to
7 read as follows:

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

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

14 (3) Upon application for a registration certificate under RCW
15 82.32.030, a one-time business assistance fee of five dollars must be
16 collected on the application. The entire business assistance fee must
17 be deposited in the business assistance account created in RCW
18 28B.30.531.

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