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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)(a) Subject to (b) of this subsection, the department shall
14 collect a voluntary donation of five dollars on each master business
15 application and each renewal application. The voluntary donations must
16 be deposited in the business assistance account created in RCW
17 28B.30.531 and be used by the small business development center
18 administrator or the administrator's designee for business assistance
19 purposes as provided in RCW 28B.30.530.

1 (b) The voluntary donation provided for under (a) of this
2 subsection may not be collected from any master business applicant or
3 applicant for renewal who actively opts not to participate in the
4 voluntary donation program. The department shall ensure that the
5 opportunity to opt out of the voluntary donation program under this
6 subsection is made clear to master business applicants and applicants
7 for renewal, and the opportunity to opt out of the voluntary donation
8 program must be provided by the department at each application or
9 renewal.

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

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

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

21 (1) The board of regents of Washington State University shall
22 establish the Washington State University small business development
23 center.

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

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

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

1 (c) Tailor outreach and services at each center to the needs and
2 demographics of entrepreneurs and small businesses located within the
3 service area;

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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