

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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<b>Action:</b>	Be Adopted
<b>Vote:</b>	8 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Berger, Edwards C., Garrard, Gelser, Jenson, Nolan, Read, Roblan
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/27, 4/22

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Recognizes importance of Oregon small businesses to Oregon economy. Resolves to recognize Oregon small businesses as stakeholders and key contributors to economy with certain rights to be taken into account when considering and enacting legislation.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Importance of small businesses in Oregon and impact on economic recovery
- Need for adequate access for small businesses to economic development tools and resources
- Intangible benefits of small businesses

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** The majority (approximately 51 percent) of Oregon employees come from small businesses that represent 98 percent of Oregon's approximately 112,200 employers. Proponents of House Joint Resolution 43 assert that it is important to recognize the contribution of small businesses to the Oregon economy.