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Department of Administrative Services Small Business Development Center Network Report

The General Government Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Committee on Ways and Means acknowledge receipt of a report on enhancing development of small business training opportunities through coordination with the Oregon Small Business Development Center Network.

A budget note from the 2013 session directed the Department of Administrative Services to coordinate small business training opportunities offered by state agencies with the Small Business Development Center Network. The Network is a non-profit association that supports the 17 small business development centers throughout Oregon.

DAS held a meeting with 15 state agencies who offer training opportunities to small businesses and the executive director of the Network. The group agreed to increase information flow on training offerings. As a result, state agencies will be sending notifications of small business trainings being offered to the Network, which will disseminate the information to the Small Business Development Centers throughout the state.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends approval of the request.