House Bill 2543

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Directs Oregon Business Development Department to conduct study regarding cost savings and expense reductions that may result to small businesses from cooperative resource sharing.

Requires department to submit report regarding study to interim legislative committees no later than November 1, 2020.

Sunsets January 1, 2021.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to small business resource sharing; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) No later than July 1, 2020, the Oregon Business Development Department shall conduct a statewide study, through the network of small business development centers established under ORS 285B.165 to 285B.171, of small businesses and how cooperative resource sharing by groups of small businesses of supplies, equipment, insurance, personnel and other necessities for business operations may result in cost savings and business expense reductions.

- (2) The study required under this section must include:
- (a) A description of the types of resources that are best suited to sharing by groups of small businesses;
 - (b) Findings regarding accessibility and usage of, and barriers to, resource sharing; and
- (c) Recommendations for legislative or other changes that may result in cooperative resource sharing among small businesses in this state.
- (3) No later than November 1, 2020, the department shall submit a report of the findings of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to business development in the manner provided under ORS 192.245.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed January 1, 2021.

SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on its passage.

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