

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3251

By COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “provisions;” delete the rest of the line and insert
2 “and amending ORS 285B.290.”.

3 Delete line 3.

4 Delete lines 5 through 30 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

5 **“SECTION 1. As used in this section and section 2 of this 2019 Act:**

6 **“(1) ‘Business accelerator’ means a company:**

7 **“(a) Operating principally in this state;**

8 **“(b) With demonstrated success in operating educational programs in which outdoor gear
9 and apparel industry veterans mentor cohorts of founders of emerging outdoor gear and ap-
10 parel industry companies located in this state; and**

11 **“(c) Whose purpose is to help incubate and accelerate the growth of emerging companies.**

12 **“(2) ‘Membership organization’ means a nonprofit organization:**

13 **“(a) Operating principally in this state;**

14 **“(b) Consisting of member businesses from the outdoor gear and apparel industry whose
15 principal place of business is in this state; and**

16 **“(c) That has the purpose of growing the outdoor gear and apparel industry at the state
17 or regional level.**

18 **“(3) ‘Outdoor gear and apparel industry’ means all traded sector businesses that manu-
19 facture gear and apparel for use in outdoor recreation.**

20 **“(4) ‘Outdoor recreation’ means activities undertaken for pleasure outdoors in natural
21 environments.**

22 **“(5) ‘Traded sector’ has the meaning given that term in ORS 285B.280.**

23 **“SECTION 2. (1)(a) The Oregon Business Development Department may award matching
24 grants to membership organizations and business accelerators in accordance with this sec-
25 tion.**

26 **“(b) Matching grants awarded under this section must be used by the receiving mem-
27 bership organizations and business accelerators for the purposes of capacity building and
28 technical assistance in the outdoor gear and apparel industry.**

29 **“(2)(a) The department shall provide public notice whenever there are funds available for
30 matching grants under this section.**

31 **“(b) The notice must include information about the requirements for eligibility and the
32 application process for the matching grants.**

33 **“(3)(a) A membership organization or business accelerator seeking a matching grant
34 under this section must file with the department an application in accordance with rules
35 adopted by the department pursuant to paragraph (c) of this subsection. The information**

1 included with the application must demonstrate that the applicant is a membership organ-
2 ization or business accelerator.

3 “(b) The department may charge an application fee in an amount that does not exceed
4 the actual costs incurred by the department in processing applications filed pursuant to this
5 section.

6 “(c) The department shall adopt rules that establish the application process for matching
7 grants awarded under this section.

8 “(4) The department may not pay the amount of a matching grant to a membership or-
9 ganization or business accelerator unless the recipient has entered into a grant agreement
10 with the department that establishes the deliverables required from, and other goals to be
11 met by, the recipient.

12 “**SECTION 3.** There is allocated for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, from the Ad-
13 ministrative Services Economic Development Fund, to the Oregon Business Development
14 Department, the amount of \$500,000, for deposit in the Industry Competitiveness Fund es-
15 tablished under ORS 285B.290, for the purpose of awarding matching grants under section 2
16 of this 2019 Act.

17 “**SECTION 4.** ORS 285B.290 is amended to read:

18 “285B.290. (1) The Industry Competitiveness Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate
19 and distinct from the General Fund.

20 “(2) The Industry Competitiveness Fund shall consist of all moneys credited to the fund, in-
21 cluding moneys from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund. Interest earned by
22 the Industry Competitiveness Fund shall be credited to the fund.

23 “(3)(a) **Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection,** moneys in the fund are con-
24 tinuously appropriated to the Oregon Business Development Department to provide funds for activ-
25 ities outlined in ORS 285B.286.

26 “(b) **Moneys in the fund that are deposited or otherwise credited to the fund for the**
27 **purpose of awarding grants under section 2 of this 2019 Act are allocated to the department**
28 **for such purpose and may not be used for any other purpose.**

29 “**SECTION 5.** No later than September 15, 2020, the Oregon Business Development De-
30 partment shall submit, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, a report that sets forth the
31 investments made pursuant to section 2 of this 2019 Act to the interim committees of the
32 Legislative Assembly related to economic development.”.