

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 1048

Relating to a Department of Transportation Small Business Assistance Program

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Gomberg

SB 1048 directs the Department of Transportation (ODOT) to develop a small business assistance program to promote equity and to assist small, minority and women-owned businesses in competing for up to \$25 million annually in contracting opportunities with ODOT. The Department will designate which of its projects are suitable for small businesses, provide information resources which help qualified small businesses prepare competitive bids, and report to the Legislative Assembly on which projects were awarded to program participants.

The Department's budget includes a policy option package with expenditure limitation and 3 positions to implement the new program.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends SB 1048 be amended by the – A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.