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SUMMARY

Digest: The Act would have Business Oregon look at its programs and try to streamline them. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.1).

Requires the Director of the Oregon Business Development Department to evaluate the programs administered by the department and provide recommendations for streamlining them.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to evaluating Business Oregon programs; and declaring an emer-
3 gency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. In the course of preparing the Oregon Business Devel-**
6 **opment Department's budget for the 2027-2029 biennium, the Director**
7 **of the Oregon Business Development Department or the director's**
8 **designees shall:**

9 (1) **Evaluate the effectiveness of the programs administered by the**
10 **department based on the number of applications, actual use and an-**
11 **ticipated need;**

12 (2) **Identify application requirements that the various department**
13 **programs have in common, and, to the greatest extent possible, make**
14 **the requirements uniform across all applications required for the pro-**
15 **grams administered under all divisions of the department; and**

16 (3) **Make recommendations for:**

17 (a) **Consolidating department programs that are similar to or**
18 **duplicative of each other;**

1 **(b) Eliminating department programs that have few or no benefi-**
2 **aries;**

3 **(c) Annexing to department programs similar programs adminis-**
4 **tered by other state agencies; and**

5 **(d) Separating specific functions or divisions from the department**
6 **and rehousing them in more appropriate state agencies or establishing**
7 **them as stand-alone bodies.**

8 **SECTION 2.** **This 2026 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-**
9 **ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-**
10 **clared to exist, and this 2026 Act takes effect on its passage.**

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