

ESHB 2892 - S COMM AMD

By Committee on Economic Development

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 43.31 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) The department of community, trade, and economic development
6 shall contract with a public entity to:

7 (a) Conduct a survey of small and medium-sized manufacturers to (i)
8 identify common technical assistance and employee training needs; and
9 (ii) identify acceptable means of delivering technical assistance and
10 training to small and medium-sized manufacturers. The survey shall
11 focus on the region of the state with the heaviest concentration of
12 small and medium-sized manufacturers; and

13 (b) Develop a plan for delivering technical assistance and employee
14 training services consistent with the findings of the survey.

15 (2) The recipient of the contract funds under subsection (1) of
16 this section may subcontract for the performance of the required work.
17 The contract dollars may serve as matching funds for federal economic
18 development grants.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If specific funding for the purposes of this
20 act, referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by
21 June 30, 2004, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
22 void."

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1 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "Relating to" strike the
2 remainder of the title and insert "small and medium-sized
3 manufacturers; adding a new section to chapter 43.31 RCW; and creating
4 a new section."

EFFECT: Clarifies that state funds will be used to conduct a survey of small and medium-sized manufacturers and to develop a plan to meet their technical assistance and employee training needs.

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