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Development, Trade & Innovation.

1 AN ACT Relating to an interagency work group on establishing a
2 single portal for Washington businesses; and adding a new section to
3 chapter 82.01 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 82.01 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The department must convene an interagency work group to
8 explore the establishment of a single portal for Washington businesses,
9 accessible through the internet, to:

10 (a) Allow access to state government records;

11 (b) Permit the electronic filing of documents required by a state
12 agency;

13 (c) Permit the payment of taxes and fees;

14 (d) Provide information, services, and resources for:

15 (i) Starting, expanding, and operating a business in Washington or
16 relocating a business within or to Washington;

17 (ii) Understanding state and local government rules, ordinances,
18 and policies that apply to business;

1 (iii) Registering, licensing, and obtaining needed permits for a
2 business;
3 (iv) Obtaining information about and assistance with exporting,
4 public contracting, hiring, and training; and
5 (v) Obtaining information about financing and tax credits available
6 to businesses; and
7 (e) Provide links to all agencies of state government that have
8 functions related to business registration, licensing, permitting, or
9 taxation or that otherwise can provide information for or assist with
10 establishing, expanding, operating, or relocating a business.
11 (2) The work group must examine the potential for private sector
12 involvement in establishing the portal.
13 (3)(a) The work group must: (i) Commence its work by May 1, 2012;
14 (ii) provide a preliminary report with a proposed implementation plan
15 to the governor and legislature by September 1, 2012; and (iii) provide
16 a final report to the governor and legislature by December 1, 2012.
17 (b) The reports under (a) of this subsection must set forth a
18 timeline for action and specify resources needed and the parties
19 responsible for implementation.

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