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Measure Description:

Establishes Office of Small Business Assistance in Office of Secretary of State for purpose of facilitating interactions between small businesses and state agencies with regulatory authority over small businesses.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Secretary of State

Summary of Expenditure Impact

	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Fund		
Lottery Funds		
Other Funds	253,936	338,581
Federal Funds		
Total Funds	\$253,936	\$338,581
Positions	2	2
FTE	1.50	2.00

Summary of Revenue Impact

	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Fund		
Lottery Funds		
Other Funds		

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

The measure establishes the Office of Small Business Assistance (OSBA) within the Office of the Secretary of State (SOS) for the purpose of facilitating communication and resolving issues and complaints related to interactions between small businesses (as defined in the bill) and executive branch state agencies. The measure also contains a provision allowing the OSBA to investigate otherwise unresolvable issues and complaints between state agencies and small businesses, in certain circumstances, allowing for agency comment on final determination.

The Secretary of State estimates that to carry out the provisions of the bill it would require the establishment of two full-time positions (1.50 FTE in the 2013-15 biennium). The positions would be funded with Corporate Division fees collected by the SOS that would otherwise be available for transfer to the General Fund.

The establishment of the positions and the funding is included as a policy option package in the Governor's recommended budget.