

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**HB 5023**

**Oregon Business Development Department**

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

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HB 5023 is the budget bill for the Oregon Business Development Department.

The Oregon Business Development Department budget for the 2021-2023 biennium totals \$1,060,121,709, all funds. The budget supports 140.5 FTE in 141 positions. This budget is an 8.63% increase from the current service level.

The budget re-establishes expenditure authority for infrastructure projects that were authorized in the 2019-21 biennium but were not completed. Increased Federal Funds expenditure limitation of \$40.4 million is included in the budget for federally funded programs from the Economic Development Administration and for increased Community Development Block Grants provided under the federal CARES Act.

Investments in the Business Development budget include: the establishment of a program to provide technical assistance to underrepresented business; an increase of \$1.25 million Lottery Funds for the Rural Opportunity Initiative; funding for trade representation to Canada; an increase of \$1.0 million Lottery Funds for the Small Business Development Centers; an increase of \$750,000 Lottery Funds for the Oregon Manufacturing extension Partnership; and an investment of \$5.0 million General Fund in the University Innovative Research Fund.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends HB 5023 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.