



Save Oregon's Small Businesses from Regulatory Overkill! Vote YES on HB 2334

When a state agency creates a rule, the agency is supposed to prepare a statement identifying any significant economic impacts on businesses, with a special focus on how the cost of compliance will effect small businesses. Unfortunately, Oregon's agencies have found ways to circumvent this important review and saddle our small businesses with overwhelming regulatory costs.

The "small business impacts analysis" needs an overhaul now more than ever! Our small and local businesses have been decimated by COVID-19. We need the legislature to step in and strengthen the small business impacts analysis to ensure that state agencies are following their requirements under the law, and protecting the businesses we know and love.

HB 2334 would strengthen the small business impacts analysis by requiring an agency to:

- Undertake the analysis even for temporary or emergency rules;
- Establish differing compliance or reporting requirements or time tables for small business;
- Clarify, consolidate, or simplify the compliance and reporting requirements under the rule for small business; **and**
- Utilize objective criteria for standards; **or**
- Exempt small businesses from any or all requirements of the rule; or
- Establish a less intrusive or less costly alternative rule applicable to small business.

Oregon's agencies need to consider the economic consequences of their rules on our small businesses and mitigate those impacts during the administrative process!

Vote **YES on HB 2334** to strengthen Oregon's business impacts analysis to keep our small and family run businesses strong!

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