

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 3272**

Ordered by the House April 10  
Including House Amendments dated April 10

Sponsored by Representative BYNUM; Representative NELSON

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Permits Secretary of State to **collect and** share and communicate with approved organizations information about ethnicity, *[domicile and]* **gender**, veteran status **and street address or electronic mail address** of owner or principal of *[large]* business that applies for or renews *[license, permit or]* registration in this state. *[Requires local agencies and state agencies to collect and report information about ethnicity, domicile and veteran status of owner or principal of large business.]*

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to information collected in conjunction with business registrations in this state; creating  
3 new provisions; amending ORS 56.180; and prescribing an effective date.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 56.180 is amended to read:

6 56.180. (1) A Business Registration Information Center is established within the Office of the  
7 Secretary of State.

8 (2) The primary functions of the center are:

9 (a) To develop a system within the center by which accurate and easily understandable infor-  
10 mation with respect to the business registration requirements of participating state agencies **and**  
11 **agencies of local government, as defined in ORS 174.116**, may be made available to persons  
12 undertaking a new business or operating an existing business;

13 (b) To establish a business portal as provided in subsection (3) of this section; *[and]*

14 (c) To advertise and make the business portal described in subsection (3) of this section and  
15 information described in this subsection available to all persons who request the information~~[,]~~; **and**

16 **(d) To share and communicate information the Secretary of State collects under sub-**  
17 **section (4) of this section with organizations that the center determines are:**

18 **(A) Community-based;**

19 **(B) Fostering economic development; and**

20 **(C) Engaged in substantive efforts to increase in this state the number of minority-owned**  
21 **businesses, women-owned businesses and businesses that veterans own.**

22 (3)(a) The center shall establish, maintain and update a business portal called the "One Stop  
23 Shop for Oregon Business" that is accessible through the Internet and that provides information,  
24 services and resources for:

25 (A) Starting, expanding and operating a business in Oregon or relocating a business within or  
26 to Oregon;

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.  
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (B) Understanding state and local government rules, ordinances and policies that apply to busi-  
2 ness;

3 (C) Understanding how to classify a business for registration purposes;

4 (D) Registering, licensing and obtaining needed permits for a business;

5 (E) Obtaining information about financing and tax credits available to businesses;

6 (F) Understanding business taxes and rules and policies concerning taxation that apply to busi-  
7 nesses;

8 (G) Obtaining information about and assistance with exporting;

9 (H) Obtaining information about and resources for hiring workers in Oregon;

10 (I) Obtaining information about public contracting;

11 (J) Obtaining information about and resources for business relocation;

12 (K) Obtaining information about and assistance with training for businesses; and

13 (L) Obtaining other information, services and resources related to business in Oregon.

14 (b) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, and local government, as defined  
15 in ORS 174.116, that have functions related to business registration, licensing, permitting or taxation  
16 or that otherwise can provide information for or assist with establishing, expanding, operating or  
17 relocating a business are directed to cooperate with and assist the center in performing the center's  
18 duties under subsection (3) of this section.

19 **(4)(a) The Secretary of State may collect information about the ethnicity, gender, veteran  
20 status and street address or electronic mail address of each owner and principal of a busi-  
21 ness that applies for or renews a business registration.**

22 **(b) The Secretary of State may not make the information that the Secretary of State  
23 collects under paragraph (a) of this subsection available or searchable on the Internet unless  
24 the person to whom the information pertains has given explicit written consent to make the  
25 information available and searchable.**

26 **(c) The Secretary of State may share or communicate with organizations described in  
27 subsection (2)(d) of this section, by electronic means or otherwise, the information that the  
28 Secretary of State collects under paragraph (a) of this subsection.**

29 [(4)] **(5) The Secretary of State may adopt rules necessary to implement the provisions of [sub-  
30 section (3) of] this section.**

31 **SECTION 2. (1) The amendments to ORS 56.180 by section 1 of this 2023 Act become op-  
32 erative on January 1, 2027.**

33 **(2) The Secretary of State may adopt rules and take any other action before the operative  
34 date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the Secretary of  
35 State, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, to undertake  
36 and exercise all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the Secretary of State by  
37 the amendments to ORS 56.180 by section 1 of this 2023 Act.**

38 **SECTION 3. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023  
39 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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