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Requested by Representative HUDSON

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2084**

On page 1 of the printed bill, line 3, after “279B.110” insert “, 279B.045, 305.380 and 305.385”.

Delete lines 5 through 28 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

“SECTION 1. ORS 305.380 is amended to read:

“305.380. As used in **this section and** ORS 305.385:

“(1) ‘Agency’ means any department, board, commission, division or authority of the State of Oregon, or any political subdivision of this state *[which]* **that** imposes a local tax administered by the Department of Revenue under ORS 305.620.

“(2) ‘License’ means any written authority required by law or ordinance as a prerequisite to the conduct of a business, trade or profession.

“(3) ‘Owner’ means an owner, as defined in ORS 60.470, that has at least a 20 percent ownership interest of a provider.

“~~[(3)]~~ (4) ‘Provider’ means any person who contracts to supply goods, services or real estate space to an agency.

“~~[(4)]~~ (5)(a) ‘Tax’ means *[a state tax imposed by ORS 320.005 to 320.150 and 403.200 to 403.250 and ORS chapters 118, 314, 316, 317, 318, 321 and 323]* **state taxes administered by the department under the tax laws of this state** and local taxes administered by the department *[of Revenue]* under ORS 305.620, **and any associated penalties and interest imposed in addition to the tax.**

1 **“(b) ‘Tax’ does not include ad valorem property taxes.**

2 **“SECTION 2.** ORS 305.385 is amended to read:

3 “305.385. (1) Upon request of the Department of Revenue, an agency is-
4 suing or renewing a license to conduct a business, trade or profession shall
5 annually, on or before March 1, supply the department with a list of specified
6 licenses issued or renewed by the agency during the preceding calendar year.

7 “(2) Upon request of the department, an agency shall annually, on or be-
8 fore March 1, supply the department with a list of specified persons con-
9 tracting with the agency to provide goods, services or real estate space to
10 the agency during the preceding calendar year.

11 “(3) The lists required by subsections (1) and (2) of this section shall
12 contain the name, address, Social Security or federal employer identification
13 number of each licensee or provider or such other information as the de-
14 partment may by rule require.

15 “(4)(a) If the department determines that any licensee or provider has
16 neglected or refused to file any return or to pay any tax and that such person
17 has not filed in good faith a petition before the department contesting the
18 tax, and the department has been unable to obtain payment of the tax
19 through other methods of collection, the Director of the Department of Rev-
20 enue may, notwithstanding ORS 118.525, 314.835 or 314.840 or any similar
21 provision of law, notify the agency and the person in writing.

22 “(b) Upon receipt of such notice, the agency shall refuse to reissue, renew
23 or extend any license, contract or agreement until the agency receives a
24 certificate issued by the department that the person is in good standing with
25 respect to any returns due and taxes payable to the department as of the date
26 of the certificate.

27 “(c) Upon the written request of the director and after a hearing and
28 notice to the licensee as required under any applicable provision of law, the
29 agency shall suspend the person’s license if the agency finds that the returns
30 and taxes have not been filed or paid and that the licensee has not filed in

1 good faith a petition before the department contesting the tax and the de-
2 partment has been unable to obtain payment of the tax through other meth-
3 ods of collection. For the purpose of the agency's findings, the written
4 representation to that effect by the department to the agency shall constitute
5 prima facie evidence of the person's failure to file returns or pay the tax.
6 The department shall have the right to intervene in any license suspension
7 proceeding.

8 “(d) Any license suspended under this subsection [*shall*] **may** not be re-
9 issued or renewed until the agency receives a certificate issued by the de-
10 partment that the licensee is in good standing with respect to any returns
11 due and taxes payable to the department as of the date of the certificate.

12 “(5) The department may enter into an installment payment agreement
13 with a licensee or provider with respect to any unpaid tax, penalty and in-
14 terest. The agreement shall provide for interest on the outstanding amount
15 at the rate prescribed by ORS 305.220. The department may issue a provi-
16 sional certificate of good standing pursuant to subsection (4)(b) and (d) of
17 this section which shall remain in effect so long as the licensee or provider
18 fully complies with the terms of the installment agreement. Failure by the
19 licensee or provider to fully comply with the terms of the installment
20 agreement shall render the agreement and the provisional certificate of good
21 standing null and void, unless the department determines that the failure
22 was due to reasonable cause. If the department determines that the failure
23 was not due to reasonable cause, the total amount of the tax, penalty and
24 interest shall be immediately due and payable, and the department shall no-
25 tify any affected agency that the licensee or provider is not in good standing.
26 The agency shall then take appropriate action under subsection (4)(b) and (d)
27 of this section.

28 “(6) [*No*] **A** contract or other agreement for the purpose of providing
29 goods, services or real estate space to any agency [*shall*], **other than a**
30 **political subdivision of this state, may not** be entered into, renewed or

1 extended with any *[person, unless the person certifies in writing, under pen-*
2 *alty of perjury, that the person is, to the best of the person's knowledge,]*
3 **provider or owner, unless at the time of contracting with an agency,**
4 **the provider and each owner submits a certificate issued by the de-**
5 **partment stating that, as of the date of the certificate, the provider**
6 **and each owner are** not in violation of any tax laws described in ORS
7 305.380 *[(4)]*.

8 “(7) The *[certification]* **certificate** under subsection (6) of this section
9 shall be required for each contract and renewal or extension of a contract
10 *[or may be provided on an annual basis]* **and must be dated no earlier than**
11 **90 days prior to the date that the provider contracts with the agency.**
12 A *[certification shall not be]* **certificate is not** required for a contract if the
13 consideration for the goods, services or real estate space provided under the
14 contract is no more than *[\$1,000]* **\$25,000.**

15 “(8) **A contract may not be executed if a certificate as described in**
16 **subsection (6) of this section is not provided to the agency.**

17 “(9) **Upon request of a provider, if the provider and each owner are**
18 **not in violation of any tax laws described in ORS 305.380, the depart-**
19 **ment shall, within 30 days after the request, issue to the provider and**
20 **each owner a certificate as described in subsection (6) of this section.**

21 “[*(8)(a)*] **(10)(a)** The requirements of the *[certification]* **certificate** under
22 subsection (6) of this section shall be subject to the rules adopted by the
23 department in accordance with this section.

24 “(b) The department may by rule exempt certain contracts from the re-
25 quirements of subsection (6) of this section.

26 “**SECTION 3.** ORS 279B.110 is amended to read:

27 “279B.110. (1) As part of a contracting agency's evaluation of a bid or
28 proposal, the contracting agency shall determine whether the bidder or
29 proposer is responsible in accordance with the standards of responsibility set
30 forth in subsection (2) of this section. If the contracting agency determines

1 that a bidder or proposer is not responsible, the contracting agency shall
2 provide the bidder or proposer with written notice of the contracting
3 agency's determination.

4 “(2) In order for a contracting agency to determine that a bidder or
5 proposer is responsible, the bidder or proposer must demonstrate to the
6 contracting agency that the bidder or proposer:

7 “(a) Has available the appropriate financial, material, equipment, facility
8 and personnel resources and expertise, or has the ability to obtain the re-
9 sources and expertise, necessary to meet all contractual responsibilities.

10 “(b) Completed previous contracts of a similar nature with a satisfactory
11 record of performance. For purposes of this paragraph, a satisfactory record
12 of performance means that to the extent that the costs associated with and
13 time available to perform a previous contract remained within the bidder's
14 or proposer's control, the bidder or proposer stayed within the time and
15 budget allotted for the procurement and otherwise performed the contract in
16 a satisfactory manner. The contracting agency shall document the bidder's
17 or proposer's record of performance if the contracting agency finds under
18 this paragraph that the bidder or proposer is not responsible.

19 “(c) Has a satisfactory record of integrity. The contracting agency in
20 evaluating the bidder's or proposer's record of integrity may consider, among
21 other things, whether the bidder or proposer has previous criminal con-
22 victions for offenses related to obtaining or attempting to obtain a contract
23 or subcontract or in connection with the bidder's or proposer's performance
24 of a contract or subcontract. The contracting agency shall document the
25 bidder's or proposer's record of integrity if the contracting agency finds un-
26 der this paragraph that the bidder or proposer is not responsible.

27 “(d) Is legally qualified to contract with the contracting agency.

28 “(e) *[Complied with the tax laws of the state or a political subdivision of*
29 *the state, including ORS 305.620 and ORS chapters 316, 317 and 318. The*
30 *bidder or proposer shall demonstrate compliance by attesting to the bidder's*

1 *or proposer's compliance in any way the contracting agency deems credible and*
2 *convenient.] Is not in violation of any tax laws described in ORS 305.380*
3 **and provides a certificate in the manner prescribed in ORS 305.385.**

4 “(f) Possesses an unexpired certificate that the Oregon Department of
5 Administrative Services issued under ORS 279A.167 if the bidder or proposer
6 employs 50 or more full-time workers and submitted a bid or proposal for a
7 procurement with an estimated contract price that exceeds \$500,000 in re-
8 sponse to an advertisement or solicitation from a state contracting agency.

9 “(g) Supplied all necessary information in connection with the inquiry
10 concerning responsibility. If a bidder or proposer fails to promptly supply
11 information concerning responsibility that the contracting agency requests,
12 the contracting agency shall determine the bidder's or proposer's responsi-
13 bility based on available information or may find that the bidder or proposer
14 is not responsible.

15 “(h) Was not debarred by the contracting agency under ORS 279B.130.

16 “(3) A contracting agency may refuse to disclose outside of the contract-
17 ing agency confidential information furnished by a bidder or proposer under
18 this section when the bidder or proposer has clearly identified in writing the
19 information the bidder or proposer seeks to have treated as confidential and
20 the contracting agency has authority under ORS 192.311 to 192.478 to with-
21 hold the identified information from disclosure.

22 **“SECTION 4.** ORS 279B.045 is amended to read:

23 **“279B.045. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section,**
24 **every public contract that is subject to this chapter must include a repre-**
25 **sentation and warranty from the contractor that the contractor has complied**
26 **with the tax laws of this state or a political subdivision of this state, in-**
27 **cluding but not limited to ORS 305.620 and ORS chapters 316, 317 and 318.**
28 **The public contract must also require a covenant from the contractor to**
29 **continue to comply with the tax laws of this state or a political subdivision**
30 **of this state during the term of the public contract and provide that a**

1 contractor's failure to comply with the tax laws of this state or a political
2 subdivision of this state before the contractor executed the public contract
3 or during the term of the public contract is a default for which a contracting
4 agency may terminate the public contract and seek damages and other relief
5 available under the terms of the public contract or under applicable law.

6 **“(2) This section does not apply to a contract with a contracting**
7 **agency other than a political subdivision of this state if the consider-**
8 **ation for the goods, services or real estate space provided under the**
9 **contract is less than \$1,000 or is more than \$25,000.**

10 **“SECTION 5. The amendments to ORS 279B.045, 279B.110, 305.380**
11 **and 305.385 by sections 1 to 4 of this 2025 Act become operative on**
12 **January 1, 2026.**

13 **“SECTION 6. (1) The Secretary of State shall study methods for**
14 **ensuring that information collected by the Corporation Division of the**
15 **Office of the Secretary of State in its business registry function from**
16 **persons doing business in this state is collected and retained in a**
17 **manner most effective to ensure compliance with the tax laws of this**
18 **state by those that are doing business in this state. This information**
19 **includes names and addresses of persons doing business in this state.**

20 **“(2) In the study required under this section, the secretary shall**
21 **review methods to:**

22 **“(a) Ensure that all business owners are properly registered.**

23 **“(b) Verify that provided physical addresses of business owners are**
24 **accurate.**

25 **“(c) Use technology to detect variations in provided names and ad-**
26 **dresses and other data and multiple uses of addresses.**

27 **“(d) Expand the authority of the secretary to review and investigate**
28 **applications for registration.**

29 **“(e) Ensure appropriate enforcement and penalties for failure to**
30 **provide current, accurate or valid information.**

1 “(3) In the study required under this section, the secretary shall
2 assess whether the current statutes and rules applicable to the
3 secretary’s business registry functions and current division capacity
4 are sufficient to ensure a business registry that is reliable and current
5 and has sufficient information to be useful for purposes of state
6 agencies or consumers seeking to verify information about businesses
7 operating in this state.

8 “(4) The secretary shall consult with the Department of Revenue,
9 the Department of Justice and the Legislative Revenue Officer in the
10 preparation of the study and reports required under this section.

11 “(5) The secretary shall submit reports on the findings of the study
12 required under this section, in the manner provided by ORS 192.245,
13 and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim or
14 regular committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue.
15 The secretary shall submit a preliminary report no later than Decem-
16 ber 31, 2025, and a final report no later than the conclusion of the 2026
17 regular session of the Legislative Assembly.

18 “SECTION 7. Section 6 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2,
19 2027.

20 “SECTION 8. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
21 date on which the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative
22 Assembly adjourns sine die.”.

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