



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 259**

LCO No. 1838

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Referred to Committee on Commerce

Introduced by:  
(CE)

**AN ACT CREATING A SMALL BUSINESS OFFICE WITHIN THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2004*) The sum of one hundred thousand  
2 dollars is appropriated to the Department of Economic and  
3 Community Development, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year  
4 ending June 30, 2005, for the purpose of establishing a small business  
5 office within the Department of Economic and Community  
6 Development to act as a clearinghouse for Connecticut-based small  
7 businesses and to assist entrepreneurs as they navigate various  
8 regional, state and federal assistance programs aimed at increasing the  
9 success of Connecticut small businesses.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2004</i>

**Statement of Purpose:**

To establish a small business office within the Department of Economic  
and Community Development.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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