

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments*

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Sub. H.B. 494 132nd General Assembly (S. Transportation, Commerce and Workforce)

Adds all of the following provisions to the House-passed version of the bill:

- Requires the Director of Administrative Services to establish the Women-owned Business Enterprise Program.
- Requires the Director to adopt rules under the Administrative Procedure Act to establish specified elements of the Program including eligibility, certification, and outreach.
- Extends eligibility under the Program to women-owned businesses that are certified by another state under a similar business assistance program if the Director has entered into a reciprocal agreement with the state.
- Exempts generally from disclosure as a public record any business and personal financial information and trade secrets submitted by a Program applicant.
- Requires the Director to file an annual report with the Governor and General Assembly describing the progress made by state agencies in advancing the Program.

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