

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Bill No. 526, Page 2, Section 620.750, Line 31, by inserting after all of said line the
2 following:

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4 "6. The regional small business and technology development center will serve as the
5 facilitator of the rural regional development group for purposes of this grant program. The
6 facilitator's role will be to convene the group, provide support for the development of an action plan
7 for the implementation of the grant in the region, and handle reporting responsibilities on the
8 pre-determined metrics that demonstrate the results from the economic development activities in the
9 region."; and

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11 Further amend said bill, page and section, Line 43, by inserting after all of said lien the following:

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13 "8. Uses for the grants may include, but are not limited to, the following activities:
14 (1) Workforce development activities, such as evaluation and education;
15 (2) Entrepreneurship training for pre-venture and existing businesses;
16 (3) Development of regional marketing techniques and activities;
17 (4) International trade training for new-to-export businesses in the region;
18 (5) In-depth market research and financial analysis for businesses in the region;
19 (6) Demographic and market opportunity research to assist regional planning commissions
20 in developing their comprehensive economic development strategy.

21 9. The facilitator shall annually report to the governor; the director of the department of
22 economic development; the senate committee on commerce, consumer protection and the
23 environment and the house committee on economic development and any successor committees
24 thereto, the allocation of the grants and the purposes for which the funding was used."; and

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26 Further amend said bill and section, by renumbering the subsections accordingly; and

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28 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
29 accordingly.

Action Taken _____ Date _____