

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Marijuana regulation and enforcement

\$4.9 million other funds

Continue implementation at the Washington State Liquor Control Board of a regulatory structure for recreational marijuana. Funding will also cover related IT systems and new staff for marijuana licensing, enforcement and auditing.

L&I claims expeditors

\$665,000 other funds

Hire seven claims processors to expedite workers' compensation claims to get employees back to work more quickly.

Economic development and job creation strategies

\$3.8 million General Fund-State

Expand business recruitment and retention opportunities to boost jobs. Funds will restore capacity to support trade missions and export assistance, complete a new index to cut time and cost for regulatory compliance, and provide technical assistance for business startups. The Entrepreneurs-in-Residence program that aids in commercialization of research and development projects at higher education institutions is partially funded. Funds will also maximize federal, local and private funding partnerships for developing technology-based industries.

Local government planning support

\$982,000 GF-S

Provide additional technical staff support at the Department of Commerce to assist local governments with Growth Management Act planning requirements.

Business One-Stop Portal

\$737,000 GF-S

Continue implementation of the Business One-Stop Portal at the Office of the Chief Information Officer that will provide a single, online resource for small businesses to interact with state government. When fully implemented, business owners will be able to apply for registrations, licenses and permits, and view the status of these applications online; file quarterly and annual reports; make payments and manage accounts; and make changes to their account once instead of having to make the same changes separately with each agency.