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AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 41-1507; RELATING TO RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Title 41, chapter 10, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
3 is amended by adding section 41-1507, to read:

4 41-1507. Rural business incubator advisory board; members;
5 duties; reports; definition

6 A. THE RURAL BUSINESS INCUBATOR ADVISORY BOARD IS ESTABLISHED. THE
7 BOARD CONSISTS OF:

8 1. TWO MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHO REPRESENT RURAL
9 DISTRICTS AND WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
10 REPRESENTATIVES. EACH SHALL BE FROM A DIFFERENT POLITICAL PARTY.

11 2. TWO MEMBERS OF THE SENATE WHO REPRESENT RURAL DISTRICTS AND WHO ARE
12 APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE. EACH SHALL BE FROM A DIFFERENT
13 POLITICAL PARTY.

14 3. THE GOVERNOR OR THE GOVERNOR'S DESIGNEE.

15 4. THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE OR THE DIRECTOR'S
16 DESIGNEE.

17 5. NINE MEMBERS WHO REPRESENT THE FOLLOWING RURAL INTERESTS AND WHO
18 ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:

19 (a) THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY.

20 (b) INFORMATION SYSTEMS.

21 (c) THE RETAIL INDUSTRY.

22 (d) THE TRANSIT INDUSTRY.

23 (e) THE BUSINESS EDUCATION COMMUNITY.

24 (f) THE HOME BASED ENTERPRISE AND COTTAGE INDUSTRY.

- 1 (g) THE SMALL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY.
- 2 (h) THE RURAL ARIZONA INCUBATOR ASSOCIATION.
- 3 (i) THE NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

4 B. THE BOARD SHALL:

- 5 1. ELECT A CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN FROM AMONG ITS MEMBERS.
- 6 2. MEET AS NEEDED AT A RURAL LOCATION IN THIS STATE.
- 7 3. PROVIDE PRIVATE SECTOR BOARD MEMBERS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS
- 8 RURAL BUSINESS OBJECTIVES AND TO INFORM THE OTHER MEMBERS OF RURAL
- 9 ENTREPRENEURIAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ISSUES WITH AN EMPHASIS ON OPPORTUNITIES
- 10 PRESENTED BY THE NORTH AMERICAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT.
- 11 4. DISCUSS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RURAL BUSINESS INCUBATOR PROJECTS.
- 12 5. ACT AS AN INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE FOR RURAL BUSINESS.
- 13 6. MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS, THROUGH STATE AGENCY AND LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS,
- 14 TO THE LEGISLATURE AND STATE AGENCIES TO FURTHER RURAL JOB CREATION AND
- 15 TRAINING.
- 16 7. SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
- 17 OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE ON THE ACTIVITIES AND
- 18 ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE BOARD.

19 C. THREE MEMBERS CONSTITUTE A QUORUM FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING

20 BUSINESS, AND AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF THE MAJORITY OF MEMBERS PRESENT AT ANY

21 MEETING IS SUFFICIENT FOR ANY ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

22 D. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO ARE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A,

23 PARAGRAPH 5 SERVE THREE YEAR TERMS BEGINNING ON THE THIRD MONDAY IN JANUARY.

24 E. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE COMPENSATION.

25 F. EXCEPT FOR MEMBERS LISTED IN SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 5, MEMBERS OF

26 THE BOARD ARE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES PURSUANT TO TITLE 38,

27 CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2.

28 G. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "RURAL" MEANS EITHER:

- 29 1. A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF LESS THAN FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND
- 30 PERSONS ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT UNITED STATES DECENNIAL CENSUS.
- 31 2. A CENSUS COUNTY DIVISION WITH FEWER THAN FIFTY THOUSAND PERSONS IN
- 32 A COUNTY WITH A POPULATION OF FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND OR MORE PERSONS ACCORDING
- 33 TO THE MOST RECENT UNITED STATES DECENNIAL CENSUS.

34 Sec. 2. Initial terms of members

35 A. Notwithstanding section 41-1507, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added

36 by this act, the initial terms of private sector members of the rural

37 business incubator advisory board are five terms ending on the third Monday

38 in January, 1998 and four terms ending on the third Monday in January, 1999.

39 B. All subsequent appointments shall be made as prescribed by statute.

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