



Caddy McKeown

STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT 9

900 Court St. NE, H-376

Salem, OR 97301

503-986-1409

rep.caddymckeown@state.or.us

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

May 8, 2013

For more information:

Courtney Flathers, Chief of Staff

(503) 986-1409

Courtney.Flathers@state.or.us

MCKEOWN APPOINTED TO HOUSE SMALL BUSINESS TASK FORCE

COOS BAY REPRESENTATIVE WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR JOB CREATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SALEM- Rep. Caddy McKeown (D-Coos Bay) was appointed to the newly-formed House Small Business Task Force in the Oregon Legislature today. Oregon House Speaker Tina Kotek (D-Portland) announced McKeown's appointment to this legislative task force created to support Oregon small businesses and continue work on job creation and retention.

The House Small Business Task Force will focus its efforts on existing bills that benefit small businesses and develop policy recommendations to encourage further business growth.

"Rep. McKeown has a unique understanding of the needs of small businesses," Kotek said. "She brings strong representation of Oregon's small coastal communities, and she will ensure that job creation continues to be a top priority in the House of Representatives."

"My top goal in representing my coastal community in Salem is to help put people back to work," said McKeown. "Already this session I've helped pass a number of bills that will support job creation. By serving on the Small Business Task Force, I hope I can help the legislature remain focused on the small business engine that drives our economy."

The task force will meet several times before the end of session with a focus on small business legislation currently under consideration. The group will continue its work into the interim, with a goal of gathering ideas for potential legislative concepts for the 2014 session.

###