



# SEN. CHUCK RILEY

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CORNELIUS, & NORTH PLAINS

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## Senator Chuck Riley Asks Small Businesses to Join

### SD 15 Legislative Advisory Council

SALEM – In his first week as a newly sworn member of the Oregon Senate, Senator Chuck Riley (D-Hillsboro) announced plans to form a Small Business Legislative Advisory Council comprised of business owners from Senate District 15. This district, one of the fastest growing in the state, includes the communities of Hillsboro, Forest Grove, Cornelius, and North Plains.

“As the new state senator for District 15, I am committed to making sure that the concerns and opinions of my constituents are heard in Salem and reflected in my legislative priorities,” said Riley. “The Small Business Advisory Council will help me weigh the impact of legislation on our small businesses while identifying legislative solutions to the everyday challenges of running a small business in Oregon. This Council will be the first of its kind in this district and I encourage business owners to join the conversation.”

Riley’s committee assignments in the 2015 Session will allow him to influence a number of issue areas. In addition to co-chairing the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Information Technology, he will serve on the Senate Committee on Business and Transportation, the Senate Committee on Finance and Revenue, the Joint Committee on Tax Credits, and the Joint Committee on Audits.

“My committee assignments will allow me to weigh in on a wide array of legislation affecting the small business community,” said Riley. “From tax credits that help spur innovation to addressing the transportation and infrastructure needs of manufacturers, the voices of small

businesses need to be a part of the conversation. I want to hear from locally-owned businesses in Senate District 15 on how state government can better work for them.”

Riley is seeking ten to twelve constituent business owners to join the council. Interested parties should email [Sen.ChuckRiley@state.or.us](mailto:Sen.ChuckRiley@state.or.us) with their interest in participating. Riley said that everyone who expresses interest will receive a response and that the first meeting of the council will be held in March. Subsequent meetings will be held monthly within District 15.

The 78<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly convened on January 12, 2015 to organize and swear in new members. Regular business for the 160 day session begins on February 2, 2015.

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