

Jobs Plan Focuses on Small Businesses

The House has approved a jobs plan that will expand critical support for small businesses and help put Iowans back to work.

Despite tough budget times, the House increased support for Small Business Development Centers to provide more one-on-one counseling to assist in small business growth. To find a Small Business Development Center near you, go to www.iowasbdc.org.

The plan also expands MyEntre.net to provide live, on-line support to connect business owners with the services and resources they need. Log on to www.myentre.net for more information.

Workforce Centers to Remain Open

House File 2522 will continue to support the 55 Iowa Workforce Development Centers. Iowa's unemployment rate has increased over the last year and it is critical that we help out of work Iowans find a job in their community.

Additionally, the bill maintains the level of OSHA inspectors in Iowa to provide workplace safety. The legislation now moves to the Senate for consideration.