

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 16, 2015

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 19**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Chang**

December 1, 2014

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~~An act relating to state government.~~ *An act to add Section 12098.2 to the Government Code, relating to economic development.*

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 19, as amended, Chang. ~~State government: regulations. Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development: small business: regulations.~~

*Existing law creates the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to exercise various powers, including, among others, making recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature regarding policies, programs, and actions to advance statewide economic goals. Existing law establishes the Office of Small Business Advocate, within the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, that is headed by the Director of the Office of Small Business Advocate who is also referred to as the Small Business Advocate.*

*This bill would require the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, under the direction of the advocate, to review all regulations affecting small businesses adopted prior to January 1, 2016, in order to determine whether the regulations need to be amended in order to become more effective, less burdensome, or to decrease the cost impact to affected sectors.*

~~The Administrative Procedure Act generally sets forth the requirements for the adoption, publication, review, and implementation of regulations by state agencies. The act requires the Office of~~

~~Administrative Law to provide for the official compilation, printing, and publication of state agency regulations, known as the California Code of Regulations.~~

~~This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation requiring state agencies and departments to review existing regulations for relevance, redundancy, and impact on the business community.~~

~~Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.~~

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 12098.2 is added to the Government Code,  
2     to read:

3     12098.2. The Governor’s Office of Business and Economic  
4     Development, under the direction of the advocate, shall review all  
5     regulations affecting small businesses adopted prior to January  
6     1, 2016, in order to determine whether the regulations need to be  
7     amended in order to become more effective, less burdensome, or  
8     to decrease the cost impact to affected sectors.

9     SECTION 1. ~~It is the intent of the Legislature to enact~~  
10  ~~legislation requiring state agencies and departments to review~~  
11  ~~existing regulations for relevance, redundancy, and impact on the~~  
12  ~~business community.~~