

Item 5.

AB 3368 (JEDE) 2020 Small Business Reform Act: petitions to adopt, amend, or repeal regulations.

Summary: Authorizes the California Small Business Advocate and the agency-level Small Business Regulatory Liaisons to issue written comments as to the validity of the petition submitted by a small business to a state agency requesting the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation.

Proposed Amendments:

1. Existing law prohibits a small business liaison from advocating for or against the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any regulation. This provision needs to be modified in Section 3 of the bill to allow liaisons to engage with small businesses who file, or who are considering filing, petitions pursuant to the changes proposed in this bill.
2. There is an incorrect cross reference in Section 7 relating to the tracking of petitions filed by small businesses.
3. Delete the last legislative intent provisions as it related to contracting, not state regulations.