

**15.300 Findings and intent.**

1. The general assembly finds all of the following:
  - a. That entrepreneurs and small businesses often have difficulty obtaining conventional loan financing, limiting their ability to expand, retain, and create additional jobs.
  - b. That a source of capital provided by the state could greatly assist entrepreneurs and small businesses in their efforts to upgrade or modernize equipment, realize additional efficiencies in their supply chains, improve their distribution and transportation margins, reduce facility costs through increased energy efficiency, and leverage other sources of business financing.
2. The purpose of the save our small businesses fund created in [section 15.301](#) is to promote the creation and retention of jobs in the state's economy and to assist businesses to be more competitive by addressing the needs identified in [subsection 1. 2010 Acts, ch 1184, §41, 44](#)