

BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES INC  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM S-2**

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER  
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

**BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**  
(State of incorporation)

**52-0812977**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**4724 S.W. Macadam Avenue  
Portland, Oregon 97239  
(503) 220-0988**

(Address and telephone number of registrant's principal executive offices)

**William W. Sherertz  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Barrett Business Services, Inc.  
4724 S.W. Macadam Avenue  
Portland, Oregon 97239  
Telephone (503) 220-0988**

(Name, address, and telephone number of agent for service)

**With copies to:**

**Mary Ann Frantz, Esq.  
David G. Post, Esq.  
Miller Nash LLP  
111 S.W. Fifth Avenue, Suite 3400  
Portland, Oregon 97204-3699  
(503) 224-5858**

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**Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public:**

As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box.

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If the registrant elects to deliver its latest annual report to security holders, or a complete and legible facsimile thereof, pursuant to Item 11(a)(1) of this Form, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  333-126496.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  \_\_\_\_\_.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.  \_\_\_\_\_.

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, check the following box.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

| <b>Title of Each Class of Securities to Be Registered</b> | <b>Amount to Be Registered</b> | <b>Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share</b> | <b>Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price</b> | <b>Amount of Registration Fee</b> |
|---|--------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common stock, \$.01 par value                             | 274,850 shares(1)              | \$16.25  | \$4,466,313                                      | \$526                             |

(1) Includes 35,850 shares that may be sold upon the exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option.

**Incorporation by Reference of Registration Statement on Form S-2, Registration No. 333-126496**

This Registration Statement is being filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for the sole purpose of registering additional securities of the same class as were included in the Registration Statement on Form S-2 (File No. 333-126496) filed by Barrett Business Services, Inc. with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 11, 2005, as amended by Amendment No. 1 thereto filed on July 26, 2005 and by Amendment No. 2 thereto filed on July 26, 2005, which was declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 27, 2005. The information in that Registration Statement, including the exhibits thereto, is incorporated herein by reference except to the extent it is modified or amended in this Registration Statement. This Registration Statement covers the registration of an additional 274,850 shares of our common stock, of which 75,000 shares will be sold by a selling stockholder.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-2 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Portland, state of Oregon, on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005.

**BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES, INC.**

By: /s/ MICHAEL D. MULHOLLAND

Michael D. Mulholland  
Vice President-Finance, Treasurer and Secretary

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2005.

| <b>Signature</b>          | <b>Title</b>   |
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| William W. Sherertz       | President, Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board (Principal Executive Officer) |
| /s/ MICHAEL D. MULHOLLAND |  |
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| Michael D. Mulholland     | Vice President Finance, Treasurer and Secretary (Principal Financial Officer)              |
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| James D. Miller           | Controller and Assistant Secretary<br>(Principal Accounting Officer)                       |
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| Thomas J. Carley          | Director   |
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| James B. Hicks, Ph.D.     | Director   |
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| Jon L. Justesen           | Director   |
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| Anthony Meeker            | Director   |
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| Nancy B. Sherertz         | Director   |

\* Signed pursuant to a power of attorney filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 11, 2005, as Exhibit 24.1 to the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-2 (Registration No. 333-126496).

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By: /s/ MICHAEL D. MULHOLLAND

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Michael D. Mulholland  
*Attorney-in-fact*

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**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

- 5.1 Opinion of Miller Nash LLP as to the legality of the securities being registered.
  - 23.1 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
  - 23.2 Consent of Miller Nash LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1).
  - 24.1 Power of attorney of certain officers and directors. Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 24.1 to the registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-2 (Registration No. 333-126496)
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