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Bill Analysis

SB 1678 creates the Occupational License Review Act. The measure directs the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and the Chair of each relevant standing committee to assign staff to review proposals and legislation to create new occupational regulations or modify existing occupational regulations. Staff must require proponents of new or existing occupational standards to submit evidence of present, significant, and substantiated harms to consumers in the state.

Additionally, a rebuttable presumption must be included in staff analysis that consumers are sufficiently protected by market competition, private certifications, and private remedies. The presumption may only be rebutted if empirical evidence contravenes the presumption. The measure outlines the analysis guidelines staff must use. The House of Representatives and the Senate may each consider the adoption of a rule requiring a committee considering legislation which enacts or modifies an occupational regulation to receive the staff's analysis and recommendations.

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