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Bill Analysis

SB 1455 provides that a court or hearing officer hearing an administrative action shall not defer to a state agency when interpreting a state statute, administrative rule, or other sub regulatory document. Courts and hearing officers shall interpret the meaning and effect de novo. In an action brought by or against a state agency, after applying all customary tools of interpretation, the court or hearing officer shall exercise any remaining doubt in favor of a reasonable interpretation which limits agency power and maximizes individual liberty.

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