## **BILL SUMMARY**

1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

Bill No.: HB 2728 Version: SAHB

**Request Number:** 

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Impact: See Analysis Below

## **Research Analysis**

The Senate Amendments to HB 2728 creates the Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act of 2025, establishes new statutory requirements for state agencies adopting major administrative rules, enhancing economic impact analysis and legislative oversight. The measure directs the Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency (LOFT) to conduct rule impact analyses for major rules promulgated by the various agencies. LOFT is to assess whether a proposed rule could result in costs of more than \$1,000,000 over an initial five-year period and report that information to the legislature. LOFT is to determine if an agencies rule impact statement is incomplete or contains inaccuracies. The measure adds additional information to be included on rule impact statements for emergency rules and proposed permanent rules, including:

- a statement of the need for the rule and legal basis supporting it;
- a classification of the rule as major or nonmajor, including an estimate of the total annual implementation and compliance costs expected to be incurred;
- a description of the rule, including whether the rule is mandated by federal law;
- an analysis of the rule's economic impact, including impacts on affected businesses, business sectors, public utility ratepayers, individuals, state or local government units, and on the state economy as a whole;
- any measures taken by the agency to minimize the cost and impact of the proposed rule on business and economic development, local government units, and individuals.

The measure requires an agency to consult with counties, municipalities, and school boards, as necessary, when preparing the rule impact statement of a proposed rule which impacts the revenue of counties, cities, or school districts. The measure requires agencies to submit proposed permanent rules to the Legislature by February 1 each year for consideration.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

The Senate amendment to HB 2728 adds language regarding independent comprehensive performance audits (ICPA's) and modifies certain definitions. The measure does not materially alter the prior fiscal impact statement. The total fiscal impact is still anticipated to reach costs of up to \$442,000.00 recurring and \$30,000.00 one-time.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.
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