

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 2729
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Research Analysis

The Senate Amendments to HB 2729 establishes that state courts, hearing examiners, or administrative officers must independently interpret state statutes, regulations, and sub-regulatory documents without deferring to a state agency's interpretation. Additionally, 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. The measure provides that no civil penalty may be awarded in an action brought by or on behalf of an administrative agency against any person or legal entity for conduct that would also be the subject of a suit at common law in which the defendant would be entitled to trial by jury.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Senate amendment to HB 2729 does not materially alter the prior fiscal impact statement. The measure contemplates applicable legal standards, and it does not carry any budgetary or revenue considerations for the state. Therefore, the measure is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.