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Bill Analysis

HB 2728 creates the Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act of 2025. The measure modifies the duties of the Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency (LOFT) to include providing rule impact analyses for major rules as defined in the measure. Additionally, LOFT shall provide economic analysis when reviewing proposed administrative rules of state agencies classified as major rules. Specifically, LOFT shall determine whether a proposed rule could result in implementation and compliance costs of more than \$1 million over the initial 5-year period of implementation. LOFT shall provide a report of each major rule to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House by the end of the 21st calendar day after its submission. The chair of each committee in the Legislature may also request a LOFT analysis if the chair reasonably believes the impact of a rule would exceed \$1 million over the 5-year period.

The measure requires state agencies to fully cooperate with LOFT in providing data, documentation, and analysis. LOFT shall submit an annual report to the President Pro Tempore, Speaker, and Governor that summarizes the year's evaluations and findings. Agencies shall be required to consult with counties, municipalities, and school boards, as necessary, when preparing a rule impact statement of a proposed rule which increases or decreases the revenue of the respective jurisdictions. Each rule impact statement shall be accompanied by a statement of the need for the rule, a major or nonmajor classification, and a statement of whether the proposed rule is required by federal law. Proposed major rules shall be addressed in one or more joint resolutions only addressing major rules.

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