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Bill Analysis

SB 810 creates the Zero-Based Budgeting Implementation Act. The measure directs the Legislative Office of Fiscal Transparency (LOFT) to develop a list of every state agency by December 1, 2025. The measure directs LOFT to use the list to develop a tiered categorization structure for all agencies to implement a staggered plan for agency review using zero-based budgeting. The categorization structure shall use a minimum of 3 tiers based on an agency's budget, number of employees, number of statutes pertaining to the agency, number of administrative rules, number of licensees, and other relevant information. High tier agencies shall be reviewed every 4-6 years and low tier agencies shall be reviewed every 2-4 years. The staggered plan for review shall take into account sunset dates.

The measure directs LOFT to implement zero-based budgeting reviews no later than July 1, 2026. The review shall be conducted in coordination with the agency, Governor, agency program staff, and the Legislature. LOFT shall evaluate key activities of the agency and develop performance evaluation measures to evaluate such activities. Additionally, LOFT shall analyze the agency's program budgets and expenditures.

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