

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	4 - 0 - 1
Yeas:	Bonamici, Boquist, Monroe, Shields
Nays:	0
Exc.:	George
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Meeting Dates:	4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows county courts and county boards of commissioners to examine the financial affairs of the county at regular business meetings twice during each year at any time, rather than in January and July.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Description of budget hearings process
- Need for flexibility

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Current law requires county courts or boards of county commissioners to examine all books and papers relating to the financial affairs of the county clerk, clerk of the county court, county treasurer and county sheriff twice annually, once in January and once in July. These dates do not always match up with the preferred budget preparation and review cycles of all counties. House Bill 3032 maintains the requirement that the financial affairs be reviewed twice annually, but provides flexibility for counties to determine when those two reviews should take place.