

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 05/11/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 04/20, 05/11

Vote:

Yeas: 8 - Barnhart, Gilliam, Hoyle, Kennemer, Nosse, Rayfield, Smith Warner, Wilson

Exc: 1 - McLane

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires legislative measures contain brief and impartial statement of problem measure is intended to solve. Exempts concurrent and single chamber resolutions and memorials from requirement.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Transparency for citizens
- Value in understanding why measure was drafted
- Should this be done by chamber rule versus statute

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

When legislators, Executive Branch or legislative committees request the drafting of a legislative concept, the entity is asked to provide a brief summary of the problem sought to be addressed, the proposed solution to the problem and any other relevant information about the proposed measure. The information provided as part of the request will assist Legislative Counsel when drafting the measure to ensure that it is drafted to meet the identified objective. However, this information is not printed or otherwise included as part of the measure when it is printed and submitted for formal consideration by the Legislative Assembly.

House Bill 3510 requires legislative measures contain a brief and impartial statement of problem measure is intended to solve.