

**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY****House Committee On Rules****Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact**Action Date:** 05/11/15**Action:** Do Pass As Amended, Be Printed Engrossed, And Bill Be Referred To Ways And Means.**Meeting Dates:** 05/11**Vote:**

Yeas: 7 - Barnhart, Hoyle, Kennemer, Nosse, Rayfield, Smith Warner, Wilson

Exc: 2 - Gilliam, McLane

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Establishes Joint Committee on Strategic Public Policy Review (Committee) composed of Senate President, Speaker of the House and members appointed by President and Speaker. Specifies members' term of service and compensation. Directs Legislative Administrator to provide support to Committee. Specifies Committee public policy review process. Directs Committee to select between two and four eligible policies for review in specific policy areas, 90 days after sine die of odd-numbered-year regular session and prepare measure for introduction during next even-numbered-year regular session requiring review of selected policy. Committee can require one, or combination of, following types of methods of review: establishment of task force; require policy audit; direct state agency study; direct Legislative Counsel to review all administrative rules related to policy or direct one or more state agencies to follow through on budget note. Specifies factors to be addressed in review of policy and report to Committee. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Changes in scope and complexity of public policy considered by legislature
- Impact of annual sessions on legislative process
- Ability of Committee to focus on specific policy issues and provide strategic solutions
- Balance of power between Executive, Judicial and Legislative Branches of government

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

Replaces original measure.

**BACKGROUND:**

House Bill 3314-A establishes the Joint Committee on Strategic Public Policy Review (Committee) for the purpose of reviewing public policy initiatives over a long-term period in order to facilitate legislatively driven policy development and outcome accountability in major public policy areas.

The Committee will select between two and four eligible policies for review from the areas of transportation, education, health care, law enforcement, corrections and the judicial process, natural resources and the environment and economic development and prepare a measure for the even-numbered-year session directing review of the policy. During the review process, the following issues are to be considered: the degree to which the implementation of the policy is achieving the intent and objectives of the Legislative Assembly; the degree to which the implementation of the policy is achieving improvement in the provision of services to the public; the degree to which the implementation of the policy improves efficiencies in the provision of services to the public; and the degree to which there is an effective and appropriate use of those public funds that are being expended as a result of the policy. Upon completion of review, the Committee may recommend legislative changes through the introduction of legislative measure(s) in compliance with deadlines established by the Legislative Assembly for making non-priority legislative concept requests for legislation.