

SB 665 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Rules

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Meeting Dates: 5/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires name of member or committee requesting proposed amendments to legislative measure be included on proposed amendments and permits additional sponsors to be listed.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

Rules adopted by both the House and Senate require that every proposed amendment include the name of the member or committee that requested the amendment. Further, a member or committee is permitted to request that a proposed amendment additionally state that the amendment is at the request of an individual, organization, state agency or local government. In the event a member or committee requesting a proposed amendment elects to eliminate the name of the member or committee requesting the amendment, the member or committee is required to make the election in writing and provide the name of the individual or entity upon whose behalf the amendment was requested. If such an election is filed simultaneously with the proposed amendment request, the proposed amendment will only include the name of the individual or entity upon whose behalf the amendment was requested (Senate Rule 12.03 and House Rule 8.23).

Senate Bill 665 requires that the name of the individual member or committee requesting a set of proposed amendments be disclosed and permits the additional inclusion of members' names who chose to sponsor a set of proposed amendments. SB 665 also specifies that the name of a person requesting a set of amendments, other than a legislative member, may only be included if written notification is provided to Legislative Counsel along with the proposed amendment request, and prohibits changes or deletions to sponsorship after such notification has been made.