

SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL

Franchise Tax Board

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Related Bills: See Prior Analysis Telephone: 845-6458 Amended Date: 04-05-2000

Attorney: Patrick Kusiak Sponsor:

SUBJECT: Public Records/State Agency Reports And Studies Available On The Internet

 DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggestions of previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended .

 AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.

 x AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced 01-18-2000.

 FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.

 x DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO Support.

 x REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL AS INTRODUCED 01-18-2000 STILL APPLIES.

 OTHER - See comments below.

SUMMARY OF BILL

This bill would amend the Public Records Act to require any state agency that maintains an Internet site or causes an Internet site to be maintained to list on that site all reports and studies initiated and prepared by that agency that are otherwise subject to disclosure.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

The April 5, 2000, amendment added language to include any reports and studies prepared pursuant to a contract with that state agency.

Except for the amendment described above and the new Board position, the remainder of the department's analysis of the bill as introduced January 18, 2000, still applies. The unresolved implementation considerations are provided below for convenience.

Implementation Considerations

The department prepares a variety of unofficial working documents intended for internal use. Clarifying the definition of "all reports and studies subject to disclosure" to mean only those reports and studies that are ready to be released to the public would assist the implementation of the bill. Without this clarification, the bill could be interpreted to require all working documents to be posted on the department's web site. Since the department already provides the full text of public reports subject to disclosure on its web site, adding a list of reports in preparation would not significantly impact the department.

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BOARD POSITION

Support.

At its March 27, 2000, meeting the Franchise Tax Board voted 2-0 to support this bill, with Member B. Timothy Gage abstaining.