
OLR Bill Analysis

sHB 5251

AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTING ON IMPLEMENTATION OF CERTAIN CONSULTANT REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS.

SUMMARY

This bill requires any state agency that contracts for at least \$100,000 in consulting services for a study with recommendations for the agency's future actions to submit a report to the Government Oversight Committee if the law already required the report's submission to another legislative committee. The report must summarize the findings of the consultant's report and whether the agency has implemented or intends to implement any of its recommendations, and if so, by what date. The agency must submit the report to the committee within one year after receiving the consulting service's study results or final report.

The bill applies to contracts with any executive branch agency or entity, including any office, department, board, council, commission, institution, constituent unit of the state higher education system, or technical education and career school.

Under the bill, a "consultant" is a professional who (1) is registered or licensed to practice a profession, a planner, or any environmental, management, or financial specialist, and (2) provides consultant services to a state agency under a contract with the state agency, including among others, architects, professional engineers, accountants, planners, and environmental, management, or financial specialists.

"Consultant services" include administrative, planning, analysis, statistical, or research services rendered by a consultant (including incidental services that consultants and their employees are authorized to perform) to recommend a state agency's course of action.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Oversight Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 12 Nay 0 (03/17/2026)