



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 670**

February Session, 2026

House Bill No. 5538

*House of Representatives, April 16, 2026*

The Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding reported through REP. HORN of the 64th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF STATE FINANCE POLICIES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioners of Economic and  
2       Community Development and Revenue Services shall study the finance  
3       policies of this state and surrounding states to identify programmatic  
4       and legislative changes that may be made to develop the economic  
5       competitiveness of the state. The commissioners may consult with any  
6       individuals, businesses and state agencies the commissioners deem  
7       necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the study. Not  
8       later than January 1, 2027, the commissioners shall submit a report, in  
9       accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
10      on the commissioners' findings and recommendations to the joint  
11      standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
12      matters relating to commerce and finance, revenue and bonding.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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**FIN**      *Joint Favorable*

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill has no fiscal impact by requiring the Departments of Economic and Community Development (DECD) and Revenue Services (DRS) to study the finance policies of this state and surrounding states to identify programmatic and legislative changes that may be made to develop the economic competitiveness of the state. It is anticipated that DECD and DRS can produce the study within existing resources.

**The Out Years****State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 37 Nay 17 (03/30/2026)