State Government, Elections & Information Technology Committee

HB 1828

- **Brief Description**: Concerning more efficient use of state facilities through aligning the functions of the department of enterprise services and the office of financial management, collecting additional space use data, and making technical corrections.
- **Sponsors**: Representatives Irwin, Hudgins and Stanford; by request of Office of Financial Management.

Brief Summary of Bill

• Requires the Office of Financial Management to evaluate opportunities for colocation and consolidation of properties.

Hearing Date: 2/8/17

Staff: Megan Palchak (786-7105).

Background:

The Department of Enterprise Services (DES) and the Office of Financial Management (OFM) are responsible for acquiring and managing real estate on behalf of the state. The Director of the DES determines the location, size, and design of any state real estate or improvements thereon, in conformity with efficiency standards approved by the OFM unless the exemption is granted. Exemptions must be reported by the Director of the DES to the OFM and legislature annually.

Summary of Bill:

The OFM is required to conduct space utilization studies to establish standards for use of state acquired real estate, and evaluate opportunities for co-location and consolidation of properties in the same geography. State agencies are required to report data regarding use of space.

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not a part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

The DES is no longer required to conduct long range planning services to identify and evaluate opportunities for colocation of facilities, or report on exemptions to OFM standards regarding facility efficiency.

The State Liquor Control Board liquor stores and warehouse are removed from statutes governing acquisition of state properties and OFM standards.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on February 6, 2017.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.