

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 1828

As Reported by House Committee On:
State Government, Elections & Information Technology

Title: An act relating to 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.

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 History:

Committee Activity:

State Government, Elections & Information Technology: 2/8/17, 2/14/17 [DP].

Brief Summary of Bill

- Requires the Office of Financial Management to evaluate opportunities for co-location and consolidation of properties.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, ELECTIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 9 members: Representatives Hudgins, Chair; Dolan, Vice Chair; Koster, Ranking Minority Member; Volz, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Appleton, Gregerson, Irwin, Kraft and Pellicciotti.

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

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improvements thereon, in conformity with efficiency standards approved by the OFM unless an 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.

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

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

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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

Staff Summary of Public Testimony:

(In support) This is an OFM-sponsored bill that will reduce confusion regarding roles and responsibilities.

(Opposed) None.

Persons Testifying: Representative Irwin, prime sponsor; and Amy McMahan, Office of Financial Management.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.