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Sponsor(s): Representatives Anderson, Morris, Sullivan and Priest

Brief Description: Establishing uniform administrative districts for certain state agencies and educational service districts.

**HB 2721 - DIGEST**

Declares an intent to significantly improve the financial accountability and service delivery of state activities and functions by establishing standardized administrative districts for all state agencies. Uniform administrative districts will result in enhanced reporting of revenue and expense by region, better state program customer service, integrated planning and development of state infrastructure, and improved regional economic development opportunities.

Directs the office of financial management to maintain state agency data by uniform administrative districts created in this act and shall report this information to the legislature at least semiannually. The office of financial management shall fund conversion costs within existing appropriations and shall provide a progress report on these conversions to the legislature on or before July 1, 2005.

Directs the caseload forecast council to create and maintain an index of uniform economic indicators and a uniform purchasing power index and track these activities according to the uniform administrative districts created in this act. The council shall report this information to the legislature on a semiannual basis beginning on or before July 1, 2005.

Establishes a joint committee to review and assess the effectiveness of the uniform administrative districts in meeting its legislative intent.

Requires the committee to hold at least four public meetings each year to allow for public comment and to gather information on the effectiveness of uniform administrative districts.

Requires the committee to evaluate the effectiveness of the uniform administrative districts and make recommendations to expand the number of state agencies required to organize by uniform administrative district and procedures to align agency efforts to successfully accomplish that goal.

Expires December 31, 2008.