DIGEST

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Lorusso HB No. 375

Abstract: Requires an agency to send only one copy of a required report to the presiding officer of each house. Provides that an agency may send an electronic copy of a report to one or more members of the legislature. Provides for the submission of certain information concerning agency reports and publications to the legislature and distribution of such information to the members of the legislature.

Present law provides that to comply with any provision of law and any resolution requiring or requesting the submission of reports to the legislature, it shall be sufficient to provide one printed copy of the report to the presiding officer of each house of the legislature. Provides that in addition, the agency shall send an e-mail notification which contains an electronic copy of the report to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library in such an electronic format as may be determined by the Legislative Budgetary Control Council. Requires the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library to distribute a list of such reports to the members of the legislature via e-mail and, upon the request of a member, via paper copy.

Proposed law makes the submission of one printed copy of a required report to each presiding officer mandatory. Provides further that an agency may send an electronic copy of a report to one or more members of the legislature.

Present law requires each agency to distribute a list of its reports and publications to each member of the legislature by mail each year.

Proposed law requires that the list be sent via e-mail to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library by Feb. 1 each year; requires the list to include all agency reports and publications for the previous calendar year. Requires each agency to also distribute an electronic copy of each report and publication on such list to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library by Feb. 1 each year. Requires the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library to ensure that the information required to be submitted pursuant to proposed law, including a link to each report and publication, is distributed via e-mail to each member of the legislature. Otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 24:772(A))