

HB 1616 -- ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

This bill allows the Secretary of State to prescribe the format and medium for the publication of the Missouri Register; the Code of State Regulations; and all rules, notices of proposed rulemaking, and orders of rulemaking. Publications in a printed format will be available upon request.

Under current law, new language in notices of proposed rulemaking may either be underlined or printed in boldface type. The bill eliminates that option and requires the new language to be printed in boldface type.

Rules, regulations, standards, and guidelines of any agency of the United States or a nationally or state-recognized organization or association may be incorporated by reference in agency rules by state agencies without publishing the incorporated materials in full. The reference must be sufficient to determine where to obtain copies of the referenced material. A full copy of the rule, regulation, standard, or guideline must be maintained by the agency referencing it and must be available for public inspection and copying at no more than the actual cost of reproduction.