

HB 677 -- Judicial Review of Administrative Decisions

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This bill specifies that if an agency fails to issue a final decision on a contested case within either 60 days after the conclusion of a hearing or within 180 days after the receipt by the agency of a written request for the issuance of a final decision, whichever time is earlier, the person is considered to have exhausted all administrative remedies and is entitled to a judicial review in circuit court. The court is allowed to conduct a de novo review of the agency's decision upon application of any party when the action of the agency under review involves only the application of the law to the facts by the agency.