HB 1469 -- ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING COMMISSION

Currently, all authority to hear administrative appeals regarding the rules on environmental control, mining, natural resources, air conservation, and water conservation is vested in the Administrative Hearing Commission. This bill authorizes the commission to recommend decisions based on comments from the parties, consent order, agreed settlement or by disposition of a default judgment, judgment on the pleadings, or summary determinations. The same authority will be granted to the Hazardous Waste Management Commission, Land Reclamation Commission, Safe Drinking Water Commission, Air Conservation Commission, and Clean Water Commission in order to make final decisions in their specified areas of regulation.