

HCS HB 931 -- CODE OF STATE REGULATIONS

SPONSOR: Ross

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 12 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Administrative Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill modifies several provisions by removing the requirements that the Secretary of State publish the Missouri Register or the Code of State Regulations in written format.

This bill specifies that at the time of, or prior to the adoption of a rule, an agency must file with the Secretary of State and the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules the fiscal note for the rule. Fiscal notes for emergency rules will only reflect the cost of such rules during the time of their implementation.

As soon as practicable after a filing by an agency of materials under these provisions, the Secretary of State must publish the materials in the Missouri Register and, within three business days of the filing, email the materials to persons who have registered to be notified of the agency's actions through the Secretary of State's administrative rules notification system and publish the materials on the official website of the Secretary of State.

This bill is similar to HB 792 (2017).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill would allow more advanced notice and transparency of emergency rules. The bill will also allow rules to be filed electronically, creating better efficiencies in government.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Ross; Trish Vincent, Secretary Of State; and Missouri Hospital Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.