HCS HB 767 -- THE COST OF IMPLEMENTING LAWS AND REGULATIONS

SPONSOR: Riggs

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Government Efficiency by a vote of 17 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Administrative by a vote of 7 to 1.

The following is a summary of the House Committee Substitute for HB 767.

This bill requires fiscal notes prepared by the Oversight Division of the Committee on Legislative Research to include an estimate of the employee hours required to implement any new program established in the legislation.

Additionally, the bill requires that the Director of the Oversight Division or the Director's designee ensure that communication include items such as the bill's number, summary and text, along with a link to the fiscal note form, and changes to the bill.

Beginning September 1, 2025, this bill requires all State departments to report, on a quarterly basis, the cost of complying with Federal regulations to the Department of Economic Development. The reports must be delivered to the General Assembly and made public on the Department's website.

This bill is similar to HB 868 (2025)

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this is common sense legislation that helps states ensure that money is wisely spent. Additional transparency is a good government policy.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Riggs and Arnie C. Dienoff.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say there is currently a challenge with fiscal notes and that too often there is no direction on what is contained in the bill.

Testifying in person on the bill was MO Council of School Administrators.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full
written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found
under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.