

Amend CSHB 2292 as follows:

(1) On page 21, line 23, between "TESTIMONY." and "The", insert "(a)".

(2) On page 21, line 25, strike "council" and substitute "commission".

(3) On page 21, immediately following line 27, insert the following:

(b) The commissioner shall grant an opportunity for a public hearing before the council makes recommendations to the commissioner regarding a substantive rule if a public hearing is requested by:

(1) at least 25 persons;

(2) a governmental entity; or

(3) an association with at least 25 members.

(c) The commissioner shall consider fully all written and oral submissions about a proposed rule.

(4) On page 31, line 5, between "Sections" and "40.021", insert "40.004".

(5) On page 31, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:

Sec. 40.004. PUBLIC INTEREST INFORMATION AND PUBLIC ACCESS.

(a) The commissioner [~~board~~] shall develop and implement policies that provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to appear before the commission or commissioner [~~board~~] and to speak on any issue under the jurisdiction of the department.

(b) The commissioner, with the advice of the council, [~~department~~] shall prepare information of public interest describing the functions of the department. The commission [~~department~~] shall make the information available to the public and appropriate state agencies.

(c) The commissioner shall grant an opportunity for a public hearing before the council makes recommendations to the commissioner regarding a substantive rule if a public hearing is requested by:

(1) at least 25 persons;

(2) a governmental entity; or

(3) an association with at least 25 members.

(d) The commissioner shall consider fully all written and

oral submissions about a proposed rule.

(6) On page 40, line 10, between "TESTIMONY." and "The", insert "(a)".

(7) On page 40, line 12, strike "council" and substitute "commission".

(8) On page 40, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

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(1) at least 25 persons;

(2) a governmental entity; or

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(c) The commissioner shall consider fully all written and oral submissions about a proposed rule.