

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

As proposed, S.B. 588 authorizes the comptroller of public accounts (comptroller) to perform administrative, economic, fiscal, or policy research or analysis regarding certain issues and to assist political subdivisions with related research analysis. The analysis may be conducted at the request of the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, a chair of a standing legislative committee, or on the comptroller's own initiative.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter B, Chapter 403, Government Code, by adding Section 403.022, as follows:

Sec. 403.022. ADMINISTRATIVE, ECONOMIC, FISCAL, OR POLICY RESEARCH OR ANALYSIS. (a) Authorizes the comptroller of public accounts (comptroller), on his or her own initiative or at the request of certain elected officials to perform, or assist a political subdivision of this state with, administrative, economic, fiscal, or policy research or analysis regarding certain issues.

(b) Authorizes the comptroller to prepare and distribute reports on any issue researched or analyzed under subsection (a).

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.