

Amend CSSB 1717 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered ARTICLE to the bill and renumbering subsequent ARTICLES and SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

ARTICLE _____. COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF SUPREME COURT
RULES AND RULE AMENDMENTS

SECTION _____.01. Chapter 22, Government Code, is amended by adding Subchapter E to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER E. COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF
SUPREME COURT RULES AND RULE AMENDMENTS

Sec. 22.351. APPLICABILITY. (a) This subchapter applies only to rules and rule amendments adopted by the supreme court.

(b) This subchapter does not apply to emergency rules and rule amendments adopted by the supreme court.

Sec. 22.352. LIMITATION ON ADOPTION OF RULES AND RULE AMENDMENTS. The supreme court may not adopt or amend a rule under Section 81.024 or under other law authorizing the court to adopt disciplinary rules unless the court complies with the requirements of this subchapter.

Sec. 22.353. COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS. (a) Not later than the 90th day before the proposed effective date of a proposed rule or rule amendment subject to this subchapter, the supreme court using existing resources, including state bar resources, shall conduct a cost-benefit analysis that:

(1) identifies the problem the proposed rule or rule amendment is intended to address;

(2) determines whether a new rule or rule amendment is necessary to address the problem; and

(3) considers the benefits and costs of the proposed rule or rule amendment in relation to this state's legal profession, attorney disciplinary system, and court system and to the public.

(b) State money may not be used in the conduct of any cost-benefit analysis under this subchapter.

SECTION _____.02. Subchapter E, Chapter 22, Government Code, as added by this article, applies only to a rule amended or adopted by the Texas Supreme Court on or after the effective date of this

Act.