

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 9  
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Transparency in State Agency Operations, Select  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Under current law, a state employee's salary is considered public information. However, the methodology or employment market analysis on which compensation for a state agency executive is based is not available to the public. H.B. 9 seeks to make such information accessible online to the public.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.B. 9 amends the Government Code to require a state agency, defined by the bill as a board, commission, department, institute, office, or other agency in the executive branch of state government that is created by the constitution or a statute of this state, including an institution of higher education, to make available to the public by posting on the agency's Internet website the agency's methodology, including any employment market analysis, for determining the compensation of executive staff employed by the agency at the time and in the manner provided by the state auditor.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2013.