

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

C.S.S.B. 1375 amends current law relating to a study and report by the Sunset Advisory Commission of self-directed semi-independent status of state agencies.

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. STUDY AND REPORT. (a) Defines "commission" to mean the Sunset Advisory Commission (Sunset) in this section.

(b) Requires Sunset to conduct a study concerning self-directed semi-independent status of state agencies.

(c) Requires that the study address:

(1) criteria and a process to be used in determining whether a state agency should be given self-directed semi-independent status;

(2) criteria and a process to be used in determining whether the self-directed semi-independent status of a state agency should be revoked;

(3) measures to ensure adequate state oversight of state agencies with self-directed semi-independent status;

(4) reporting requirements for state agencies with self-directed semi-independent status;

(5) procedures for a state agency with self-directed semi-independent status to contract with and to pay for services received from another state agency;

(6) review of a state agency's self-directed semi-independent status as a part of the agency's sunset review;

(7) appropriations issues related to a state agency's transition to self-directed semi-independent status;

(8) appropriations issues related to a state agency's transition from self-directed semi-independent status to regular state agency status; and

(9) criteria to review complaint procedures and the disposition of complaints by a state agency with self-directed semi-independent status.

(d) Requires Sunset to consult with the Legislative Budget Board in conducting the study.

(e) Requires a state agency, at Sunset's request, to provide information and assistance to Sunset in conducting the study under this section.

(f) Requires Sunset, not later than August 31, 2014, to submit a report on Sunset's findings and recommendations to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and each member of the legislature.

(g) Provides that this section expires September 1, 2015.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2013.