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H.B. No. 415

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the procedure for adoption by a state agency of rules  
3 that may have an adverse economic effect on small businesses,  
4 micro-businesses, and rural communities.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 2006.002, Government Code, is amended by  
7 adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

8 (h) If a state agency is made aware that a proposed rule may  
9 have an adverse economic effect on small businesses,  
10 micro-businesses, or rural communities, as applicable, after  
11 notice of the proposed rule has been published, the agency shall:

12 (1) prepare an economic impact statement and a  
13 regulatory flexibility analysis as required under Subsections (c)  
14 and (c-1);

15 (2) publish the statement and the analysis in the  
16 Texas Register as an amendment to the proposed rule; and

17 (3) provide a copy of the statement and the analysis to  
18 the standing committee of each house of the legislature charged  
19 with reviewing the proposed rule.

20 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section  
21 2006.002, Government Code, apply only to a rule proposed by a state  
22 agency on or after the effective date of this Act. A rule proposed  
23 by a state agency before the effective date of this Act is governed  
24 by the law in effect on the date the rule was proposed, and the

1 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.