By:  Shaheen, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 1322

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COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Hancock              X

Nichols              X

Campbell             X

Creighton                     X

Johnson              X

Menéndez             X

Paxton                        X

Schwertner           X

Whitmire             X

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1322 By:  Hancock

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a summary of a rule proposed by a state agency.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 2001.023, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

(c)  At the time a state agency files notice of a proposed rule under Subsection (b), the agency shall publish on the agency's Internet website a summary of the proposed rule written in plain language in both English and Spanish in accordance with Section 2054.116.

(d)  For purposes of Subsection (c), a summary is written in plain language if it uses language the general public, including individuals with limited English proficiency, can readily understand because the language is concise and well-organized.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to a proposed state agency rule for which notice is filed with the secretary of state under Section 2001.023, Government Code, on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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