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H.B. No. 2106

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the establishment of an advisory committee to study and
3 provide recommendations to state agencies on ways to increase
4 efficiency at the agencies.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subtitle C, Title 10, Government Code, is
7 amended by adding Chapter 2117 to read as follows:

8 CHAPTER 2117. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY

9 Sec. 2117.001. ESTABLISHMENT AND NAME OF ADVISORY
10 COMMITTEE. (a) An advisory committee is established to study and
11 make recommendations to each state agency in the executive branch
12 of state government on ways to increase the efficiency with which
13 the agency operates.

14 (b) The advisory committee shall be referred to as the Texas
15 Department of Government Efficiency.

16 Sec. 2117.002. COMPOSITION OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) The
17 advisory committee is composed of the following eight members:

18 (1) two members appointed by the governor;
19 (2) two members appointed by the lieutenant governor;
20 (3) two members appointed by the speaker of the house

21 of representatives;

22 (4) the chair of the senate committee on finance; and

23 (5) the chair of the house committee on
24 appropriations.

1 (b) In making appointments to the advisory committee under

2 Subsection (a):

3 (1) the governor may:

4 (A) appoint two public members to the committee;

5 or

6 (B) appoint one public member to the committee

7 and elect to serve as a member of the committee;

8 (2) the lieutenant governor may:

9 (A) appoint two public members to the committee;

10 or

11 (B) appoint one public member to the committee

12 and:

13 (i) elect to serve as a member of the

14 committee; or

15 (ii) appoint a member of the senate to the

16 committee; and

17 (3) the speaker of the house of representatives may:

18 (A) appoint two public members to the committee;

19 or

20 (B) appoint one public member to the committee

21 and:

22 (i) elect to serve as a member of the

23 committee; or

24 (ii) appoint another member of the house of

25 representatives to the committee.

26 Sec. 2117.003. TERMS; VACANCY. (a) Members of the advisory

27 committee serve two-year terms.

1 (b) A vacancy on the advisory committee shall be filled in
2 the same manner as the original appointment. A member appointed to
3 fill a vacancy on the committee shall serve for the remainder of the
4 unexpired term.

5 Sec. 2117.004. PRESIDING OFFICER. (a) If the governor
6 serves as a member of the advisory committee, the governor is the
7 presiding officer of the committee.

8 (b) If the governor is not a member of the advisory
9 committee, the governor shall appoint one member of the committee
10 to serve as the committee's presiding officer.

11 (c) The presiding officer of the advisory committee serves a
12 two-year term.

13 Sec. 2117.005. MEETINGS. The advisory committee shall meet
14 at the call of the committee's presiding officer.

15 Sec. 2117.006. REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES. Members of the
16 advisory committee serve without compensation but are entitled to
17 reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in
18 performing official duties under this chapter.

19 Sec. 2117.007. PURPOSE OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE. The advisory
20 committee is established to:

21 (1) study the operation of each state agency in
22 accordance with a schedule adopted by the committee to identify
23 ways to increase the efficiency with which the agency operates;

24 (2) recommend to each state agency that is the subject
25 of a study described by Subdivision (1) ways of increasing the
26 agency's operational efficiency identified by the committee during
27 the study; and

1 (3) prepare and submit the report required by Section
2 2117.008.

3 Sec. 2117.008. ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT. Not later than
4 December 1 of each even-numbered year, the advisory committee shall
5 prepare and submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and
6 each member of the legislature a report that includes:

7 (1) the name of each state agency studied by the
8 committee under Section 2117.007(1) during the two-year period
9 preceding the date of the report and the recommendations made to
10 each of those agencies under Section 2117.007(2); and

11 (2) any proposed legislation prepared by the committee
12 related to the information described by Subdivision (1) or any
13 other matter the committee determines is relevant to the efficient
14 operation of state agencies.

15 Sec. 2117.009. APPLICATION OF OTHER LAW. Chapter 2110 does
16 not apply to the advisory committee.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.