

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1543

Amendment Number: H1

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Basic Change :

Sponsors:

Reps. Vaught, Maddox, M. Gray, Barker, Beck, Bentley, S. Berry, Brown, Cavanaugh, Christiansen, Cloud, Coleman, C. Cooper, Cozart, Dotson, Evans, C. Fite, Hillman, L. Johnson, Lundstrum, Lynch, McNair, Miller, Milligan, Payton, Pilkington, Richmond, Rye, Slape, B. Smith, Tollett, Watson, Wing, and Wooten

Sens. G. Stubblefield, Rice, B. Ballinger, Bledsoe, Hill, Irvin, and B. Johnson

House Amendment 1 --- HB1543-H1 (engrossed 03/15/21) adds legislative findings and intent to state that the General Assembly is not assessing property or increasing property taxes but rather codifying the reporting requirements for the Assessment Coordination Division (ACD).

Original Bill --- HB1543 requires the Assessment Coordination Division (ACD) of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) to make an annual report to the Governor and the Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC). The report will include a breakdown of all taxable property in the state and the property's assessed value organized by county and category. The report will also include a description of any new guidelines issued by ACD as well as any updates to existing guidelines that are ten years or older. The guidelines covered by this report are not effective until the report is presented to ALC.

HB1543 removes the existing requirement that the Public Service Commission (PSC) make a biennial report on the taxable property in the state.

Revenue Impact :

None.

Taxpayer Impact :

Taxpayers will be able to review ACD's annual report.

Resources Required :

None.

Time Required :

Adequate time is provided.

Procedural Changes :

Report submission goes to an annual basis, and due date is changed to allow more time for the

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General Assembly to review the report.

Other Comments :

None.

Legal Analysis :

None.