

Department of Finance and Administration

Legislative Impact Statement

Bill: HB1216

Amendment Number: H1

Bill Subtitle: AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING THE DISTRIBUTION OF STATE AGENCY PUBLICATIONS.

Basic Change :

Representative Linck

Engrossment 02/21/13 -- House Amendment 1 -- Amends the bill to provide that instead of filing the report in each even-numbered year with the Legislative Council regarding the number and costs for unbound, black and white publications, each agency will file their report with the Department of Finance and Administration who will compile the data and make a report containing the information as supplied by each agency. The amendment also adds "Promotional Brochures" to the listing of publications excluded from the requirements of the bill.

Original Bill -- This bill amends several sections of code with regard to the electronic filing of publications or reports and designates the Internet as the preferred method of publishing state agency reports. The bill adds a new report for all state agencies to report by October 1 of each even-numbered year the number of unbound, black and white publications that have been distributed under this section in the past 2 years and the cost associated with providing those copies. The reporting requirement does not apply to the General Assembly nor any division, commission or bureau operating under the General Assembly.

Revenue Impact :

None

Taxpayer Impact :

None.

Resources Required :

None

Time Required :

Adequate time provided.

Procedural Changes :

Procedures will be needed for receiving data and compiling the required report.

Other Comments :

It is not specified in the bill to whom the compressive report prepared by DFA will be provided.

Legal Analysis :

Amended House Bill 1216 makes the following changes to the originally introduced HB 1216:

"Promotional brochures" is added to the list of items not subject to the procedure HB 1216 establishes for the production of certain publications by state agencies. Also, the amended version of the Bill requires state agencies to file a new report with DFA. Further, the amended version then requires DFA to provide a report containing the information reported by the state agencies by November 1 of each even-numbered year. The amended bill does *not* state whether the resulting report by DFA should be submitted to any other entity, published, or maintained, only that it be "provided."

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