

SUBJECT: Revising certain state agency reporting requirements

COMMITTEE: State Affairs — committee substitute recommended

VOTE: 9 ayes — Phelan, Guerra, Harless, Holland, Hunter, P. King, Raymond, Smithee, Springer

0 nays

4 absent — Hernandez, Deshotel, Parker, E. Rodriguez

SENATE VOTE: On final passage, April 11 — 31-0, on Local and Uncontested Calendar

WITNESSES: *On House companion bill, HB 1788:*
For — (*Registered, but did not testify:* Bay Scoggin, TexPIRG)

Against — None

On — (*Registered, but did not testify:* Molly Lester, Health and Human Services Commission)

BACKGROUND: The Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) recently issued a report evaluating the usefulness of reports submitted by a state agency to other agencies. Some have proposed implementing TSLAC's recommendations to revise or repeal certain statutory reporting requirements in an effort to reduce the number of reports and improve their usefulness.

DIGEST: CSSB 241 would revise the deadlines, contents, recipients, and other statutory requirements for certain state agency reports. The bill would repeal certain other reports, including requirements for some state agencies to provide to the secretary of state a report detailing projects providing assistance to colonias.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.