

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 853
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DIGEST

Currently, the comptroller of public accounts publishes a wide variety of reports on an Internet site, but is not required to do so. The required posting of reports would enable more members of the public to have access to fiscal and policy analyses. This bill would require the comptroller of public accounts to publish on an Internet site all reports prepared by the office that are considered public information.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 853 requires the comptroller to publish certain reports and information on the comptroller's Internet site.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 403B, Government Code, by adding Section 403.0115, as follows:

Sec. 403.0115. REPORTS PUBLISHED ON INTERNET. Requires the comptroller to promptly publish each report published by the comptroller and public information subject to disclosure under the open records law, Chapter 552, on the comptroller's Internet site.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 403.0115, Government Code, to require the comptroller to promptly publish each report published by the comptroller on the comptroller's Internet site.