

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the statewide cost allocation program (program) is managed by the governor's office and identifies the costs of general government services provided by state agencies to other state agencies. Under the program agencies are billed for these costs and required to recover them from either fees or federal programs. The state has no formal methodology for tracking the recovery of allocated statewide costs. H.B. 2071 sets forth a methodology by which statewide costs are allocated.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

Rulemaking authority is expressly granted to the comptroller in SECTION 2 (Section 2106.006, Government Code) of this bill.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 2106.002(b), Government Code, to require the plan to allocate to each state agency an appropriate portion of the total costs of statewide support services, including costs identified under Subdivision (1) and develop and prescribe a billing procedure that ensures each state agency is billed for all costs allocated to the agency under Subdivision (2) for which the agency is not obligated to pay another state agency under other law.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 2106.006, Government Code, as follows:

- (a) Requires that, subject to Subsection (c), a state agency send to the comptroller for deposit to the credit of the general revenue fund certain funds.
- (b) Requires the comptroller, subject to Subsection (c), to the extent the amount billed under Section 2106.002(b) is not totally paid under Subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2), to transfer to the general revenue fund the appropriate amount charged against items of appropriation in connection with which the remaining unpaid statewide allocated costs were incurred.
- (c) Authorizes the legislature to provide in the General Appropriations Act that payment of the amount billed under Section 2106.002(b) is waived to the extent payment would be made from a state agency's general revenue appropriation.
- (d) Requires a state agency to send to the comptroller information the comptroller requires to transfer amounts under Subsection (b).
- (e) Requires the comptroller to adopt rules necessary to prescribe the timing and method of transfers under this section and the manner in which a state agency shall send to the comptroller information the comptroller requires to transfer amounts under Subsection (b).

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2001.