

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 790 removes the comptroller of public accounts of the State of Texas (comptroller) from the list of entities who receive certain audits and reports from regional planning commissions. Under current law, the Office of the Governor, working in conjunction with the Texas State Auditor's Office, maintains oversight of certain regional planning commissions, including setting rules and requirements relating to annual audits and reports. The committees are required by law to provide copies of annual reports to certain entities, including the comptroller. However, interested parties have stated that this requirement is administratively unnecessary as the comptroller's office typically takes no action on these reports and, thus, does not need to receive them.

As proposed, S.B. 790 amends current law relating to certain audit and reporting requirements of regional planning commissions.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 391.0095(e), Local Government Code, to delete existing text including the comptroller of public accounts of the State of Texas among the entities to which a regional planning commission is required to send a copy of each report and audit under this section or under Section 391.009 (Role of State Auditor, Governor, and State Agencies).

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.