

SENATE BILL NO. 59

BY SENATOR REESE

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:961(E)(4), relative to the Administrative Procedure Act; to provide for statements of fiscal and economic impact; to provide for approval of appropriations by certain subject matter committees or the governor; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 49:961(E)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§961. Procedure for adoption of rules

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E.(1)

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(4)(a) Except as otherwise provided in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, any proposed action that the legislative fiscal office determines will result in either the expenditure of state funds or an economic impact involving costs to regulated entities estimated at two hundred thousand dollars per year or more or six hundred thousand dollars or more over three years shall not take effect unless the appropriate legislative oversight subcommittees determine that the action is acceptable. However, this requirement shall not apply if the legislative fiscal office determines that the fiscal or economic impact of the proposed action is less than or equal to the amount accounted for in the fiscal note for legislation that required the action.

(b) A proposed action specified in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph may take effect without a determination by the legislative oversight committees that the action is acceptable only if both of the following occur:

- 1 **(i) At least one legislative oversight committee fails to conduct a hearing**
2 **for the purpose of making a determination regarding the proposed action within**
3 **thirty days of receipt of the report required by R.S. 49:966(D)(1)(b).**
4 **(ii) The governor deems the action acceptable in writing.**

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____