
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to
Original House Bill No. 709 by Representative Wright

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, delete line 2, and at the beginning of line 3, delete "49:965(C)," and insert the
3 following:

4 "To amend and reenact R.S. 49:966(D)(1)(a) and (L), to enact R.S. 49:953.1, 960, and
5 965(C),"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 2

7 On page 1, line 4, after "rules;" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 5 and at the
8 beginning of line 6, delete "of agency rules;" and insert the following:

9 "to provide for the automatic expiration of the rules promulgated by certain agencies;
10 to provide for a system for notification of rulemakings; to establish the office of
11 information and regulatory affairs within the office of the governor; to provide for
12 duties of the office of information and regulatory affairs;"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 3

14 On page 1, delete lines 10 through 19 and on page 2, delete lines 1 through 5 and insert the
15 following:

16 "Section 1. R.S. 49:966(D)(1)(a) and (L) are hereby amended and reenacted and
17 R.S. 49:953.1, 960, and 965(C) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

18 §953.1. System for notification of rulemakings

19 A. The state register shall establish a notification system that permits users
20 to elect to receive e-mail notification of pending rulemakings by specific title,
21 division, chapter, or rule number.

22 B. The secretary of state, in coordination with the state register, shall provide
23 for businesses registered with the secretary to receive e-mail notifications of pending
24 rulemakings related to regulations the business is or will be subject to, to the extent
25 practicable.

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27 §960. Office of information and regulatory affairs

28 A. The Legislature of Louisiana makes the following findings:

29 (1) Executive branch agencies should promulgate rules only when required
30 by law, when necessary to interpret law, or when made necessary by compelling
31 public need.

32 (2) An efficient regulatory planning and review process is vital to ensure that
33 the state's regulatory system best serves the people of Louisiana.

34 (3) Coordinated review of agency rulemaking is necessary to ensure that
35 regulations are consistent with applicable law and the principles set forth in this
36 Section, and that the decisions made by one agency do not conflict with the policies
37 or actions taken or planned by another agency.

38 (4) The office of the governor is an appropriate agency to carry out the
39 review function.

40 B. The governor may establish in the office of the governor an office to be
41 known as the office of information and regulatory affairs.

42 C.(1) The office of information and regulatory affairs shall enhance planning
43 and coordination with respect to both new and existing rules, to restore the integrity

1 and legitimacy of regulatory review and oversight, to make the process more
2 accessible and open to the public, and to make more efficient the regulatory rules
3 promulgation process.

4 (2) The office of information and regulatory affairs may be charged with the
5 following duties:

6 (a) Identifying regulations that impose significant or unique burdens on
7 governmental entities and that appear to have outlived their justification or be
8 otherwise inconsistent with the public interest.

9 (b) Providing guidance and oversight to ensure that each agency's regulatory
10 actions are consistent with applicable law and the principles set forth in this Section
11 and do not conflict with the policies or actions of another agency.

12 (c) Reviewing proposed rules prior to initiating promulgation for approval
13 pursuant to deadlines established by the office of information and regulatory affairs.

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15 AMENDMENT NO. 4

16 On page 2, line 8, after "adopted" and before "in accordance" insert "by an agency within
17 a department with an appointed secretary"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 5

19 On page 2, line 9, after "of the" and before "year" insert "tenth"