

HOUSE BILL ANALYSIS

HB 2484

Title: AN ACT Relating to the state fire protection policy board.

Brief Description: Changing the state fire protection policy board.

Sponsors: Carrell, Cooper.

BRIEF SUMMARY

- Requires the Fire Protection Policy Board to develop uniform standards for fire protection vehicles and equipment.
- Requires the Fire Protection Policy Board to develop proposals for consolidated purchases of fire protection vehicles and equipment.

HOUSE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

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BACKGROUND:

The Fire Protection Policy Board (FPPB) was created in 1986 and consists of eight members appointed by the Governor. The FPPB is responsible for developing a comprehensive state policy regarding fire protection services, including the adoption of a master fire training and education plan, and the development of a master plan for constructing fire training facilities. The FPPB must also monitor fire protection in the state and develop objectives and priorities to improve fire protection.

SUMMARY:

The FPPB must develop programs or processes to improve the cost-effective and efficient delivery of fire protection services.

The FPPB must also develop uniform standards for fire protection vehicles and equipment. After developing the uniform standards, the FPPB must develop a proposal for consolidated purchases of fire protection vehicles and equipment based on the uniform standards. The proposal must:

- Create a mechanism for the state to coordinate purchases of fire protection vehicles and equipment; and
- Allow for consolidated purchases of fire protection vehicles and equipment.

The FPPB must report the uniform standards and proposals, along with recommended legislative changes necessary to implement the proposals, to the Legislature by June 30, 2000.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.