

1-1 By: Taylor of Collin S.B. No. 289  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed December 12, 2016; January 30, 2017,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Business & Commerce;  
1-4 April 5, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 8,  
1-5 Nays 1; April 5, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the preparation of government growth impact statements  
1-20 for rules proposed by state agencies.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 2001, Government Code, is  
1-23 amended by adding Section 2001.0221 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 2001.0221. GOVERNMENT GROWTH IMPACT STATEMENTS.

1-25 (a) A state agency shall prepare a government growth impact  
1-26 statement for a proposed rule.

1-27 (b) A state agency shall reasonably describe in the  
1-28 government growth impact statement whether, during the first five  
1-29 years that the rule will be in effect:

1-30 (1) the rule creates or eliminates a government  
1-31 program;

1-32 (2) implementation of the rule requires the creation  
1-33 of new employee positions or the elimination of existing employee  
1-34 positions;

1-35 (3) implementation of the rule requires an increase or  
1-36 decrease in future legislative appropriations to the agency;

1-37 (4) the rule requires an increase or decrease in fees  
1-38 paid to the agency;

1-39 (5) the rule creates a new regulation;

1-40 (6) the rule expands, limits, or repeals an existing  
1-41 regulation;

1-42 (7) the rule increases or decreases the number of  
1-43 individuals subject to the rule's applicability; and

1-44 (8) the rule positively or adversely affects the  
1-45 state's economy.

1-46 (c) The comptroller shall adopt rules to implement this  
1-47 section. The rules must require that the government growth impact  
1-48 statement be in plain language. The comptroller may prescribe the  
1-49 use of a chart that a state agency may use to disclose the items  
1-50 required under Subsection (b).

1-51 (d) Each state agency shall incorporate the impact  
1-52 statement into the notice required by Section 2001.024.

1-53 (e) This section applies to the adoption of an emergency  
1-54 rule.

1-55 (f) Failure to comply with this section does not impair the  
1-56 legal effect of a rule adopted under this chapter.

1-57 SECTION 2. Not later than October 1, 2017, the comptroller  
1-58 of public accounts shall adopt rules under Section 2001.0221(c),  
1-59 Government Code, as added by this Act.

1-60 SECTION 3. Section 2001.0221, Government Code, as added by  
1-61 this Act, applies only to a proposed rule for which the notice

2-1 required under Section 2001.023(b), Government Code, is filed on or  
2-2 after November 1, 2017.

2-3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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