

HB 526 -- ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING COMMISSION (Pratt)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Judiciary

Currently, all authority to hear administrative appeals regarding the rules on environmental control, mining, natural resources, air conservation, and water conservation is vested in the Administrative Hearing Commission. This bill authorizes the commission to recommend decisions based on a consent order, an agreed settlement, or on comments from the parties or a judgment on the pleadings, a summary judgment, or by disposition of a default judgment. The same authority will be granted to the Hazardous Waste Management Commission, Land Reclamation Commission, Safe Drinking Water Commission, Air Conservation Commission, and Clean Water Commission in order to make final decisions in their specified areas of regulation.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2008, FY 2009, and FY 2010.