

HCS HB 1383 -- STATE ACCOUNTABILITY PORTAL

SPONSOR: Barnes (Cox)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on Special Standing Committee on Government Oversight and Accountability by a vote of 9 to 0.

This substitute requires every department and division of the state that receives any grant of federal funds of \$1 million or more to document certain information and make that information easily available on the Missouri Accountability Portal. This information must be updated within 30 days of any receipt or transferal of funds.

If a grant of federal funds is transferred to another department or division, the department or division receiving the funds must report to the department or division from which the funds came and account for how the funds were used and any statistical impact that can be determined to result from the usage.

The cost to administer these provisions must be paid from the grant of federal funds and not from any amount of state funds appropriated to any department or division. The Office of Administration must promulgate rules to implement these provisions.

The Governor must submit a daily report stating all amounts withheld from the state's operating budget for the current fiscal year. The daily report must be conspicuously posted on the accountability portal website, searchable by the amounts withheld from each individual fund, and searchable by the total amount withheld from the operating budget.

All public institutions of higher education and all political subdivisions of the state must supply information to the Office of Administration documenting any bond issuance or obligation incurred because of these provisions within seven days of the issuance. For any bond or obligation incurred prior to August 28, 2012, the entity will have 90 days to supply the information.

The substitute contains an emergency clause.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2013, FY 2014, and FY 2015.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will lend transparency to the budget process and make the Governor more accountable.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Cox.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.