BILL SUMMARY

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Bill No.: HB 1096
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Impact: Efficiencies Gained
Potential for Cost Savings

Research Analysis

The Proposed Committee Substitute for HB 1096 adds a requirement to certain state agency contracts. For professional or technical services contracts in excess of \$100,000, the contractor would be required to use software to verify that hours billed for work performed on a computer are legitimate. Data collected by this software would be considered financial and accounting records belonging to the contractor, and must be collected for a period of 7 years. The contractor would not be allowed to charge the agency for access to or use of the verification software.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure includes provisions requiring contracts for professional or technical services in excess of \$100,000 to use software to verify that billed hours performed on a computer are legitimate. The presence of such procedures and software is likely to provide efficiencies in billing, enhanced audit capabilities and has the potential to provide cost savings, an amount that presently cannot reliably be estimated.

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Other Considerations

None.

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