## **BILL SUMMARY**

1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

Bill No.: HB2650
Version: POLPCS1
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## **Research Analysis**

The proposed policy committee substitute for HB2650 establishes standards for obtaining a protective order to prevent the deposition of high-ranking officers in government or large and complex organizations. A court may authorize a protective order if the officer being deposed has unique and extensive scheduling demands or responsibilities and lacks unique, personal knowledge of the issues being litigated. The party seeking the protective order must file a motion with an affidavit demonstrating these requirements and identify an alternative person within the organization that has knowledge of the issues being litigated.

A protective order may be vacated or modified if the party seeking the deposition can show that it has exhausted all other reasonable means of discovery, the discovery is inadequate and that the officer has unique, personal knowledge of discoverable information.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

The POLPCS1 to HB2650 modifies civil procedure related to certain protective orders. In its current form, this measure is not anticipated to have a material impact on state budget or appropriations.

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## **Other Considerations**

None.

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