

## Joe Hayes

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Hi Joe,

I'm sorry I missed your call yesterday regarding SB 177.

This bill was submitted to comply with the statutory mandate in AS 44.99.220 that every state agency identify outdated, duplicative, or excessive publications required by law in order for the governor to submit a bill proposing their elimination or modification by the legislature.

This requirement was established in HB 187, a bill introduced by then-Representative Kaufman in 2022 to provide the legislature the opportunity to review and streamline reporting requirements that it has mandated by law on a regular basis. Because this is a bill requested by the legislature by law, its consideration is best left to the discretion of the legislature going forward. As such, the executive branch does not plan to request a hearing on SB 177 nor submit any supporting documentation.

The bill touches on every state agency in the executive branch and there is no single individual with the background to address this bill globally. That said, if the committee members have questions about particular publications identified for elimination or modification, I encourage you to work through Laura Timko at OMB to coordinate responses from state agencies. You may also wish to consider reaching out to Senator Kaufman for assistance with this bill. As always, I am available to help answer any legal questions you may have regarding SB 177.

Please let me know if there is anything else I can help you with.

Thanks,

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