HB 3383 Lozano

SUBJECT: Removing the management-to-staff ratio requirement for state agencies

COMMITTEE: State Affairs — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 9 ayes — Cook, Giddings, Farrar, Geren, Guillen, K. King, Kuempel,

Paddie, E. Rodriguez

2 nays — Craddick, Meyer

2 absent — Oliveira, Smithee

WITNESSES: For — None

Against — None

On — Robert Chapa, Comptroller of Public Accounts; (Registered, but

did not testify: Shari Curtis, Comptroller of Public Accounts)

BACKGROUND: Government Code, sec. 651.004 requires a state agency to develop

procedures to achieve a management-to-staff ratio of 1 to 11.

Observers have noted that allowing the nature of an agency's work to dictate the appropriate management-to-staff ratio, instead of imposing a statutorily required one, could enhance productivity and responsiveness to

taxpayers.

DIGEST: HB 3383 would remove the statutory requirement for state agencies to

develop procedures to achieve a management-to-staff ratio of 1 to 11.

This bill would take immediate effect if finally passed by a two-thirds record vote of the membership of each house. Otherwise, it would take

effect September 1, 2017.