

**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) is responsible for coordinating agency responses to elder abuse. As proposed, S.B. 1075 directs HHSC to conduct a study of the state's response to abuse and neglect of elders. This bill also requires HHSC to report the results of the study to certain officials by December 1, 2004.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

**SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. Defines "commission" and "health and human services agency."

SECTION 2. STUDY OF STATE RESPONSE TO ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF OLDER INDIVIDUALS. (a) Requires the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to conduct a study of the roles of each health and human services agency charged to respond to abuse or neglect of older individuals in this state.

(b) Requires HHSC to consult with certain health and human services agencies and authorizes the commission to consult with certain entities.

SECTION 3. Requires HHSC, not later than December 1, 2004, to report the results of the study conducted under this Act to certain officials. Requires the report to contain certain information.

SECTION 4. Provides that this Act expires January 1, 2005.

SECTION 5. Effective date: September 1, 2003.