
OFA Bill Analysis

HB 5437

AN ACT CONCERNING EQUITY AND THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET.

SUMMARY:

The bill requires the Governor's annual budget proposal to include a discussion of how such budget helps to achieve equity in the state.

The bill defines equity as "efforts, regulations, policies, programs, standards, processes and any other functions of government or principles of law and governance intended to: (A) Identify and remedy past and present patterns of discrimination or inequality against and disparities in outcome for any class protected in chapter 814c; (B) ensure that such patterns of discrimination, inequality and disparities in outcome, whether intentional or unintentional, are neither reinforced nor perpetuated; and (C) prevent the emergence and persistence of foreseeable future patterns of discrimination against or disparities in outcome for any class protected in chapter 814c"

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2022

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 50 Nay 0 (04/07/2022)