



# HOUSE BILL 612: DSS Review of Procedures/Rule Making.

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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 612 would require the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Social Services to identify any publications, policies, and procedures that might be considered rules under Chapter 150B of the General Statutes. Any publications, policies, and procedures identified as rules would have to be adopted through the rule-making process, or they would become void on July 1, 2021.*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** The bill would require the Division of Social Services (DSS) to prepare a report of all its publications, policies, and procedures and to submit that report to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). The report must identify any publication, policy, or procedure that meets the definition of a rule under G.S. 150B-2(8a) and provide an explanation for why any publication, policy, or procedure not identified is not a rule under G.S. 150B-2(8a). DSS would also be required to coordinate with OAH to identify publications, policies, and procedures which are subject to the rule-making provisions of Chapter 150B. Any publications, policies, and procedures so identified would be deemed interim rules, but would become null and void if not adopted as a permanent rule by July 1, 2021.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act would be effective when it becomes law.

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