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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1032

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 4, 2004

BILL AMENDED: Feb 19, 2004

SUBJECT: Electronic Reports.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Frenz

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Kenley

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill makes amendments throughout the Indiana Code requiring agencies to submit reports to the General Assembly, the Legislative Council, and the executive director of the Legislative Services Agency in an electronic format. The bill repeals obsolete statutes.

The bill permits an agency to electronically submit certain material that is incorporated by reference in a proposed administrative rule. The bill permits material that is incorporated by reference to accompany the copy of the final rule when it is distributed to the State Library.

Effective Date: Upon passage; July 1, 2003 (retroactive); July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Administrative Rules:* Under current law, when agencies submit rules to the Attorney General, the Governor's office, and the Secretary of State, they are also required to submit a full text copy of each matter referenced in the rule. This bill gives agencies the option of submitting electronic copies of the referenced incorporated material instead of a hard copy version of the document. This provision could potentially reduce agencies' costs insofar as electronic copies of documents are often less expensive than hardbound documents.

This bill also allows the Secretary of State's office to transfer the original copy of material incorporated by reference into a rule to the State Library. The provision will not have a significant administrative impact on the Secretary of State's office.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Agencies with rulemaking authority; Attorney General's Office; Secretary of State; Governor; Legislative Services Agency; State Library.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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