

HCS HB 381 -- DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FEE OFFICES (Silvey)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Special Committee on General Laws

This substitute requires the Department of Revenue to award fee office contracts by considering the best interests of the state. The department must ensure that entities capable of reducing customer wait times to 30 minutes or less are awarded contracts. Contracts will be awarded first to not-for-profit organizations and then to municipalities, counties, and fire protection districts. No individual or for-profit organization will be awarded a contract unless there are no priority-status entities available, and no individual who has pled guilty to or has been convicted of a felony offense or certain alcohol-related offenses will be qualified to hold a contract. No employee under a fee service contract can receive more than \$100,000 per year for his or her services. The department will provide assistance to new fee office contract holders, and the State Auditor may audit fee offices in the same manner as any state agency.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2010, FY 2011, and FY 2012.