ASSEMBLY BILL   No. 376

Introduced by Assembly Member Donnelly

February 14, 2013

An act to add Section 11344.5 to the Government Code, relating to regulations.

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AB 376, as introduced, Donnelly. Regulations: notice.

The Administrative Procedure Act requires the Office of Administrative Law to provide for the official compilation, printing, and publication of adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations, which is known as the California Code of Regulations, provide for a weekly update of the California Code of Regulations, and provide for the publication of the California Regulatory Notice Register, which includes, but is not limited to, a summary of all proposed regulations filed with the Secretary of State in the previous week.

This bill would require a state agency enforcing a regulation promulgated on or after January 1, 2014, to notify a business that is required to comply with that regulation of the existence of the regulation 30 days before its effective date, and to cooperate with the Secretary of State to access business records to obtain the business contact information necessary to provide that notice.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1   SECTION 1. Section 11344.5 is added to the Government
2 Code, to read:
3   11344.5. (a) An agency enforcing a regulation promulgated
4 on or after January 1, 2014, shall notify a business that is required
5 to comply with that regulation of the existence of the regulation
6 30 days before the effective date of the regulation.
7   (b) If possible, an agency shall provide the notice required
8 pursuant to subdivision (a) by electronic mail, and if not possible,
9 then by written letter through the United States mail.
10   (c) An agency required to provide notice pursuant to this section
11 shall cooperate with the Secretary of State to access business
12 records to obtain the business contact information necessary to
13 provide the notice.

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