# AB 733 – Agency Legislative Reports

## **Summary:**

Ab 733 introduces an additional requirement for state agencies to submit an annual list by April 1 of all outstanding reports, including status updates and explanations for any delays. It also allows the Legislature to withhold funding from agencies that fail to comply with reporting deadlines

## **Existing Law:**

Current law, specifically Government Code Section 9795, establishes the requirements for state and local agencies to submit reports to the Legislature. However, it does not require agencies to track or report overdue submissions, nor does it provide an enforcement mechanism to ensure compliance with reporting deadlines.

#### **Problem:**

State agency reports provide crucial information, transparency, and accountability on key issues affecting California communities, including public health, education, infrastructure, and environmental protection. Lawmakers rely on these reports to assess policies, allocate funding, and address emerging challenges.

However, when agencies fail to submit reports on time, it creates gaps in oversight, delays decision-making, and undermines transparency. Missing or outdated reports hinder policy development and prevent timely responses to critical issues like wildfire preparedness, housing shortages, and healthcare access. This bill addresses the problem by requiring agencies to track overdue reports, explain delays, and outline corrective actions to ensure compliance and improve government efficiency.

## **Solution:**

This bill will require state agencies with overdue reports to submit an annual list by April 1, detailing all outstanding reports. The list must include explanations for why each report is overdue and a compliance plan outlining how and when the agency will submit it. Additionally, the bill allows the Legislature to withhold funding from agencies that fail to meet reporting requirements, ensuring greater accountability and timely compliance

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