

SSB 5206 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on General Government & Information Technology

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.09.310 and 2005 c 387 s 2 are each amended to
4 read as follows:

5 (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the
6 state auditor shall annually audit the statewide combined financial
7 statements prepared by the office of financial management and make
8 post-audits of state agencies. Post-audits of state agencies shall be
9 made at such periodic intervals as is determined by the state
10 auditor. Audits of combined financial statements shall include
11 determinations as to the validity and accuracy of accounting methods,
12 procedures and standards utilized in their preparation, as well as
13 the accuracy of the financial statements themselves. A report shall
14 be made of each such audit and post-audit upon completion thereof,
15 and one copy shall be transmitted to the governor, one to the
16 director of financial management, one to the state agency audited,
17 one to the joint legislative audit and review committee, one each to
18 the standing committees on ways and means of the house and senate,
19 one to the chief clerk of the house, one to the secretary of the
20 senate, and at least one shall be kept on file in the office of the
21 state auditor. A copy of any report containing findings of
22 noncompliance with state law shall be transmitted to the attorney
23 general and shall be subject to the process provided in section 2 of
24 this act.

25 (2) Audits of the department of labor and industries must be
26 coordinated with the audits required under RCW 51.44.115 to avoid
27 duplication of audits.

28 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 43.09
29 RCW to read as follows:

30 (1) Within ninety days of receipt of an audit under RCW 43.09.310
31 containing findings of noncompliance with state law, the subject

1 state agency shall submit a response and a plan for remediation to
2 the governor, the state auditor, the office of financial management,
3 the joint legislative audit and review committee, and the relevant
4 fiscal and policy committees of the senate and house of
5 representatives.

6 (2) If, at the next succeeding audit of the subject state agency,
7 the state auditor determines that the subject state agency has failed
8 to make substantial progress in remediating the noncompliance with
9 state law, the state auditor shall notify the entities specified in
10 subsection (1) of this section.

11 (3) Upon receipt of a notification under subsection (2) of this
12 section, a fiscal or policy committee of the senate or house of
13 representatives may refer the matter to the senate committee on
14 facilities and operations or the executive rules committee of the
15 house of representatives.

16 (4) The obligation to prepare and submit a plan for remediation
17 under this section applies only:

18 (a) If the agency's general fund-state biennial budget exceeds
19 one billion dollars; and

20 (b) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this
21 specific purpose."

22 Correct the title.

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