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1 AN ACT Relating to a performance audit of the department of
2 transportation; and creating a new section.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The legislative transportation committee
5 shall contract for a performance audit of the programs and functions of
6 the department of transportation. The performance audit shall consist
7 of a systematic, independent, and objective assessment to determine
8 whether the department's programs and activities:

9 (a) Are meeting the outcomes or results intended by the policy
10 objectives established by the legislature and the transportation
11 commission;

12 (b) Comply with relevant federal and state statutes and standards;
13 and

14 (c) Make efficient and cost-effective use of public resources.

15 (2) By September 1, 1996, the legislative transportation committee
16 shall report the results of the performance audit to the relevant
17 policy and fiscal committees of the legislature. The report shall
18 include recommendations for improving the performance and
19 accountability of the department of transportation, including any

1 recommendations for the more efficient use of public resources to
2 accomplish the policy objectives of the department's programs and
3 activities.

4 (3) For the purposes of the performance audit, the legislative
5 transportation committee shall retain, by contract or otherwise, such
6 technical or professional services as the committee deems necessary to
7 ensure a thorough and independent evaluation. The department of
8 transportation shall make available to the committee such information,
9 personnel, or other resources necessary to the performance audit.

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