

**EHB 2259 - S AMD 751**

By Senator Miloscia

1 On page 7, after line 5, insert the following:

2 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 43.09  
3 RCW to read as follows:

4 (1) The state auditor must:

5 (a) Enter into a partnership with the national institutes of  
6 standards and technology, United States department of commerce to  
7 coordinate and schedule excellence assessments of the agency's  
8 operations every two years; and

9 (b) Transmit completed excellence assessments and feedback  
10 reports to pertinent legislative committees and the office of the  
11 governor.

12 (2) The state auditor's goal is to progress toward achieving  
13 world-class performance by achieving a sixty percent score within  
14 seven years of its first excellence assessment. When the agency  
15 achieves a sixty percent score, it must apply for an award from the  
16 national institutes of science and technology, United States  
17 department of commerce for its performance.

18 (3) If the state auditor meets the goal in subsection (2) of this  
19 section, the state auditor is not required to conduct an excellence  
20 assessment every two years, but must conduct an excellence assessment  
21 at least every four years."

22 Renumber the remaining sections consecutively and correct any  
23 internal references accordingly.

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24 On page 1, line 3 of the title, after "43.09.440;" insert "adding  
25 a new section to chapter 43.09 RCW;"

EFFECT: Requires the state auditor to conduct excellence assessments of the agency's operations through the National Institutes of Standards and Technology, United States Department of Commerce.

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