Sponsor(s): Senators Patterson and Horn; by request of Office of Financial Management

Brief Description: Changing the office of financial management's budgeting, accounting, and reporting requirements for state agencies.

SB 5629 - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Revises the office of financial management's budgeting, accounting, and reporting requirements for state agencies.

Directs the office of financial management to adopt uniform guidelines for the effective and efficient management of personal service contracts and client service contracts by all state agencies.

Directs the office of financial management to submit the guidelines required by this act to the governor and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature no later than December 1, 2002.

Requires a state agency entering into or renewing personal service contracts or client service contracts to follow the guidelines required by this act.

Directs the office of financial management to provide a training course for agency personnel responsible for executing and managing personal service contracts and client service contracts.

Provides that, beginning January 1, 2004, no agency employee may execute or manage personal service contracts or client service contracts unless the employee has completed the training course. Any request for exception to this requirement shall be submitted to the office of financial management in writing and shall be approved by the office of financial management prior to the employee executing or managing the contract.

Requires the office of financial management to conduct risk-based audits of the contracting practices associated with individual personal service and client service contracts from multiple state agencies to ensure compliance with the guidelines established in this act.

Requires the office of financial management to forward the results of the audits conducted under this act to the governor, the appropriate standing committees of the legislature, and the joint legislative audit and review committee.

Requires the state auditor and the attorney general to annually by November 30th of each year provide a collaborative report of contract audit and investigative findings, enforcement actions, and the status of agency resolution to the governor and the policy and fiscal committees of the legislature.

Repeals RCW 79.44.180.