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Brief Description: Promoting greater fiscal responsibility in state budgeting through zero-based budget reviews.

**HB 1457 - DIGEST**

Establishes the zero-base and modified zero-base budget review process to help the legislature establish priorities in the expenditure of public resources for state programs and services.

Provides that, in the omnibus operating budget bill or in other legislation, the legislature shall identify agencies on which a zero-base budget review or a modified zero-base budget review shall be conducted during each fiscal year of the biennium. When specifying agencies on which the review will be conducted, the legislature shall seek to complement and avoid duplication of the activities or the proposed activities of the joint legislative audit and review committee under chapter 44.28 RCW.