

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 323
96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections, March 17, 2011, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 29, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a one-time audit and analysis of fiscal practices and cost savings in state agencies, with an emergency clause.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 29, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 29.375, to read as follows:

**29.375. 1. The state auditor shall, on a one-time basis, perform
2 a comparative audit of at least five, but no more than ten, of the largest
3 state agencies, as determined by total appropriation for fiscal year
4 2011.**

**5 2. The state auditor shall develop criteria for fiscal
6 responsibility that are applicable to all agencies regardless of their
7 statutory, legal, or programmatic mandates. While creating criteria for
8 the audit, the auditor shall conform with the provisions of applicable
9 law and the standards for auditing of governmental organizations,
10 programs, activities, and functions established by the comptroller
11 general of the United States.**

**12 3. Upon completion of the audit, which shall occur no later than
13 August 28, 2013, the auditor shall submit a report of the findings and
14 recommendations to the general assembly, all statewide elected
15 officials, the office of administration, and all state departments. The
16 report issued shall contain recommendations including, but not limited
17 to, the optimal fiscal practices to be promoted across all state agencies
18 and efficiency or cost saving measures, including recommended**

19 **changes to agency policy or state law, that could reduce the amount of**
20 **government spending.**

Section B. Because of the need to ensure fiscal responsibility within state
2 agencies, section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation
3 of the public health, welfare, peace and safety, and is hereby declared to be an
4 emergency act within the meaning of the constitution, and section A of this act
5 shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

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