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## 96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To amend chapter 29, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to audits.

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 a comparative audit of at least five, but no more than ten, of the largest state agencies, as determined by total appropriation for fiscal year 2011.

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

3. Upon completion of the audit, which shall occur no later than 12 August 28, 2013, the auditor shall submit a report of the findings and 13 recommendations to the general assembly, all statewide elected 14 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 government spending.

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