

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 1577

By: Dorman

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An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S. 2001, Section 213.2, which relates to performance audits; modifying duties of the Performance Audit Division of the Office of the State Auditor and Inspector; modifying procedure for requesting a performance audit; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2001, Section 213.2, is amended to read as follows:

Section 213.2 A. There is hereby created in the Office of the State Auditor and Inspector a Performance Audit Division, subject to the discretion of the State Auditor and Inspector. An Assistant State Auditor and Inspector may be appointed to direct the operations of the Division, subject to the supervision and control of the State Auditor and Inspector at all times.

B. The State Auditor and Inspector, deputies and agents of the Performance Audit Division may examine all books and accounts of all public officers, institutions and other governmental entities specified in Sections ~~211~~ 212 through 227.9 of this title to instruct the proper officers thereof in the performance of their duties and to prescribe ~~and enforce~~ cost-effective methods of operating such governmental entities; provided, however, the State Auditor and Inspector shall perform the examinations authorized in this subsection upon receiving a written request to do so by the

Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or the chief executive officer of a governmental entity ~~or pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the Legislature.~~ The entire cost of ~~any examinations requested by the Governor, the chief executive officer of a governmental entity or pursuant to a concurrent resolution of the Legislature~~ such an examination shall be borne by the audited entity.

C. The salaries and traveling expenses of the Assistant State Auditor and Inspector, deputies and agents of the Performance Audit Division and the costs of material, supplies and equipment for the Division shall be paid from funds made available through appropriation by the Legislature. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1992, and each fiscal year thereafter, the costs of the examinations authorized pursuant to subsection B of this section shall be paid for by the audited entity in an amount not to exceed the lesser of the actual costs of such audit or the amount of the proposed financial savings which would be generated if the audited entity fully complied with the direction of the Performance Audit Division as provided by this section.

D. The State Auditor and Inspector shall submit an annual report ~~evidencing the cumulative financial savings to the state as a result of the audits and directions~~ of the Performance Audit Division to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, ~~and~~ the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Minority Leader of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2003.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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