

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 56<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>HB 2311</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>Introduced</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>5655</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>Potential Audit Costs</b>

**Research Analysis**

The measure creates the Agency Spending Review Commission which will be staffed by the Legislative Services Bureau. The bill provides a process for appointing members to the commission. The measure requires the commission to evaluate each state agency once every four years in order to identify agency-specific efficiencies. The bill directs the commission to issue an annual report by December 31 on the status of the implementation of the commission's recommendations.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

The measure enacts the Agency Spending Review Act, provisions of which include appointment of members, staffing and administrative support from the Legislative Service Bureau (LSB), an audit of each state agency's expenditures once every four years, and authorization for LSB to contract with third parties for audit assistance. Language regarding contracting is permissive, therefore, auditing could be conducted by LSB. Staffing requirements of LSB will depend on the length of time required to perform each audit. Total cost of audits would depend on each agency's risk assessment, the scope of the audit, and the hourly rates of the auditors assigned to the task.

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**Other Considerations**

None.