

2019 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 159

BY SENATOR DONAHUE

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR. Provides for performance audits that include a fee for service.
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1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 24:513(D)(4)(b), relative to performance audits; to provide for
3 the duties of the legislative auditor; to provide for performance audits of all fees for
4 service; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 24:513(D)(4)(b) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §513. Powers and duties of legislative auditor; audit reports as public records;
8 assistance and opinions of attorney general; frequency of audits;
9 subpoena power

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11 D. In addition, the legislative auditor shall perform the following duties and
12 functions:

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14 (4)(a) * * *

15 (b) The legislative auditor shall conduct a performance audit on each
16 ~~statutory dedication that includes a fee for service,~~ **including but not limited to**
17 **statutory dedications that include a fee for service,** at least once every four years

1 to determine if the fees are adequate to cover the costs associated with the service.

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3 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
4 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
5 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
6 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
7 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Martha S. Hess.

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Present law requires the legislative auditor to conduct a performance audit on each statutory dedication that includes a fee for service at least once every four years to determine if the fees are adequate to cover the costs associated with the service.

Proposed law clarifies that the legislative auditor is to conduct a performance audit of each fee for service, including but not limited to statutory dedications that include a fee for service, at least once every four years.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 24:513(D)(4)(b))