



28 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

29 Section 1. Section **36-12-15.1** is enacted to read:

30 **36-12-15.1. Budgetary appropriation reviews.**

31 (1) As used in this section, "entity" means each entity that receives an ongoing line  
32 item appropriation in an appropriations act.

33 (2) The Office of Legislative Auditor General shall:

34 (a) dedicate a sufficient portion of its office resources to the regular ongoing audit and  
35 review of state entity budgetary appropriations;

36 (b) conduct those reviews according to the process established for the Audit  
37 Subcommittee created in Section 36-12-8;

38 (c) after release of the report by the Audit Subcommittee, submit the report to:

39 (i) each member of the Utah Senate and the Utah House of Representatives; and

40 (ii) the governor or the governor's designee;

41 (d) in consultation with the legislative fiscal analyst, summarize the findings of each  
42 budgetary review in the Legislative Auditor General's Annual Report by identifying:

43 (i) base budget appropriation of the review agencies for the past five years; and

44 (ii) the reviewed agencies prior histories of savings and efficiencies.

45 (3) In performing budgetary reviews, the Office of Legislative Auditor General shall  
46 study and determine the extent to which:

47 (a) the reviewed entity has efficiently and effectively utilized its appropriation;

48 (b) the entity has not grown in size, complexity, or cost beyond that which is justified;

49 and

50 (c) the entity's representatives have acted as diligent and responsible stewards of public  
51 monies received from and entrusted by the taxpayers of this state.

52 (4) The Legislature, in evaluating an agency request for an increase in its base budget,  
53 shall review the summary report required by this section and any relevant audits and consider  
54 the agency request for an increase in its base budget in light of the agency's prior history of  
55 savings and efficiencies as evidenced by those reports.

56 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

57 As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated  
58 \$300,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2006-07 to the Legislature - Office of

59 Legislative Auditor General to hire additional auditors to perform the audits required by this  
60 bill.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
as of 1-26-06 8:06 AM

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

**State Impact**

This bill appropriates \$300,000 from the General Fund in FY 2007 to complete limited scoped audits required by the bill. These funds will be used to hire 4 FTE at the Legislative Auditor General's Office. State Agencies might have some fiscal impact as they comply with requests for information required during the audits.

	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2008</u> <u>Approp.</u>	<u>FY 2007</u> <u>Revenue</u>	<u>FY 2008</u> <u>Revenue</u>
General Fund	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**Individual and Business Impact**

No fiscal impact.

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