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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1016

Introduced by Watermeier, 1.

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Committee: Executive Board

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislative Performance Audit Act; to
- 2 amend section 50-1203, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015; to
- 3 redefine a term; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the
- 4 original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 50-1203, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 50-1203 For purposes of the Legislative Performance Audit Act:
- 4 (1) Agency means any department, board, commission, or other
- 5 governmental unit of the State of Nebraska acting or purporting to act by
- 6 reason of connection with the State of Nebraska, including the Office of
- 7 Probation Administration and the Office of Public Guardian, but does not
- 8 include (a) any court, (b) the Governor or his or her personal staff, (c)
- 9 any political subdivision or entity thereof, or (d) any entity of the
- 10 federal government;
- 11 (2) Auditor of Public Accounts means the Auditor of Public Accounts
- whose powers and duties are prescribed in section 84-304;
- 13 (3) Business day means a day on which state offices are open for
- 14 regular business;
- 15 (4) Committee means the Legislative Performance Audit Committee;
- 16 (5) Committee report means the report released by the committee at
- 17 the conclusion of a performance audit;
- 18 (6) Legislative Auditor means the Legislative Auditor appointed by
- 19 the Executive Board of the Legislative Council under section 50-401.01;
- 20 (7) Majority vote means a vote by the majority of the committee's
- 21 members;
- 22 (8) Office means the office of Legislative Audit;
- 23 (9) Performance audit means an objective and systematic examination
- 24 of evidence for the purpose of providing an independent assessment of the
- 25 performance of a government organization, program, activity, or function
- 26 in order to provide information to improve public accountability and
- 27 facilitate decisionmaking by parties with responsibility to oversee or
- 28 initiate corrective action. Performance audits may have a variety of
- 29 objectives, including the assessment of a program's effectiveness and
- 30 results, economy and efficiency, internal control, and compliance with
- 31 legal or other requirements;

- 1 (10) Preaudit inquiry means an investigatory process during which
- 2 the office gathers and examines evidence to determine if a performance
- 3 audit topic has merit;
- 4 (11) Tax incentive performance audit means an evaluation of a tax
- 5 incentive program pursuant to section 50-1209; and
- 6 (12) Working papers means those documents containing evidence to
- 7 support the office's findings, opinions, conclusions, and judgments and
- 8 includes the collection of evidence prepared or obtained by the office
- 9 during the performance audit or preaudit inquiry.
- Sec. 2. This act becomes operative on January 1, 2018.
- 11 Sec. 3. Original section 50-1203, Revised Statutes Supplement,
- 12 2015, is repealed.