Senate Bill 57

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Creates Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability within Legislative Fiscal Office. Directs office to conduct performance, program and management evaluations or reviews of state agencies and programs and other state-funded programs.

Creates Joint Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee in lieu of Joint Legislative Audit Committee. Directs committee to oversee evaluations or reviews conducted by Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability.

Repeals statutory authority of Secretary of State to conduct performance and program audits. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to the Joint Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee; creating new provisions; amending ORS 171.580, 171.585, 182.472, 184.360, 184.649, 283.343, 291.100, 291.272, 297.050, 297.230 and 419C.001; repealing ORS 171.590, 297.065 and 297.070; and declaring an emergency.
- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- SECTION 1. (1) The Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability is created as a unit within the Legislative Fiscal Office. The Legislative Fiscal Officer shall select the Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability who shall serve at the pleasure and under the direction of the Legislative Fiscal Officer.
- (2) Pursuant to the policies and directions of the Legislative Fiscal Officer and the Joint Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee created under ORS 171.580, the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall conduct performance, program and management evaluations or reviews of any state agency, as defined in ORS 291.272, or any state program and any other state-funded program.
- (3) The Legislative Fiscal Officer may enter into contracts to carry out the functions of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability.
 - SECTION 2. (1) In conducting an evaluation or review under section 1 of this 2007 Act:
- (a) The Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability may examine and inspect all accounts, books, records, files, papers and documents and all financial affairs of any public body as defined in ORS 174.109.
- (b) The director may cause a search to be made of and extracts to be taken from any account, book, record, file, paper or document in the custody of any public officer without paying any fee for the search or extract. Any public officer having the custody of the account, book, record, file, paper or document shall make any search requested by the director and furnish the extracts as requested.
 - (c) The director may issue:

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- (A) Subpoenas compelling at a specified time and place the appearance and sworn testimony of any person whom the director reasonably believes may be able to provide information relating to any evaluation, review or other investigation being undertaken under this section; and
- (B) Subpoenas duces tecum compelling the production of any account, book, record, file, paper, document or other evidence that the director reasonably believes may relate to an evaluation, review or other investigation being undertaken under this section.
- (2) If a person fails to comply with any subpoena issued under subsection (1) of this section, a judge of the circuit court of any county, on application of the director, shall compel obedience by proceedings for contempt as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from the circuit court.
- SECTION 3. (1) As used in this section, "working papers" means the notes, internal memoranda and records of work performed by the Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability on evaluations, reviews and other investigations undertaken under section 1 or 2 of this 2007 Act, including any project evidence collected and developed by the director.
- (2) The director and any employees of the Legislative Fiscal Office are not required to disclose any working papers.

SECTION 4. ORS 171.580 is amended to read:

171.580. [(1) There is created a Joint Legislative Audit Committee consisting of the chair of the House Ways and Means Committee, the chair of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker and four members of the Senate appointed by the President.]

- (1) There is created a Joint Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee consisting of:
- (a) Five members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom must be a member of the Joint Legislative Committee on Ways and Means or, if there is no joint committee, a member of the committee in the House of Representatives that has jurisdiction over appropriations; and
- (b) Five members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, one of whom must be a member of the Joint Legislative Committee on Ways and Means or, if there is no joint committee, a member of the committee in the Senate that has jurisdiction over appropriations.
- (2) No more than five members of the committee may be members of the same political party.
- [(2)] (3) The Joint Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee has a continuing existence and [may] shall meet, act and conduct [its] the committee's business during sessions of the Legislative Assembly or any recess [thereof] in a session and in the interim between sessions.
- [(3)] (4) The term of a member [shall expire] expires upon the convening of the Legislative Assembly in regular session next following the commencement of the member's term. When a vacancy occurs in the membership of the committee in the interim between sessions, until [such] the vacancy is filled, the membership of the committee [shall be considered not to] does not include the vacant position for the purpose of determining whether a quorum is present, and a quorum is a majority of the remaining members.

- [(4)] (5)(a) Members of the committee shall receive an amount equal to that authorized under ORS 171.072 from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly for each day spent in the performance of their duties as members of the committee or any subcommittee [thereof] of the committee, in lieu of reimbursement for in-state travel expenses. [However,]
- (b) When engaged in out-of-state travel, members shall [be entitled to receive their actual and necessary expenses therefor] receive the expenses actually and necessarily incurred in lieu of the amount authorized by paragraph (a) of this subsection.
- (c) Payment under this subsection shall be made from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly.
- [(5)] (6) Action of the committee shall be taken only upon the affirmative vote of the majority of members of the committee.
- [(6)] (7) The Legislative Fiscal Office or the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability shall furnish to the committee [such] the services of personnel and [such other] the facilities [as] that are necessary to enable the committee to carry out its functions as directed by law, with such assistance as the Division of Audits and Oregon Department of Administrative Services can provide.

SECTION 5. ORS 171.585 is amended to read:

171.585. The Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee shall:

- (1) Review all audits **conducted by the Secretary of State and all evaluations or reviews conducted under section 1 of this 2007 Act** and make recommendations for change or remediation by the agency or other organization under review to the Emergency Board, the Joint **Legislative Committee on** Ways and Means [Committee] and other persons receiving [the] **an** audit report under ORS 192.245.
- (2) Accept requests for performance, program or management evaluations or reviews [and program audits] from individual legislators[,] and legislative committees, the Division of Audits, the Budget and Management Division and the Legislative Fiscal Office.
- [(3) In conjunction with the Director of the Division of Audits, set priorities on the basis of risk assessment for performance and program audits and program evaluations.]
- [(4)] (3) With the advice and assistance of the Legislative Fiscal Officer[, the Administrator of the Budget and Management Division and the Director of the Division of Audits] or the Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability, determine the type of [audit,] performance, program or management evaluation or review utilizing criteria to include but not be limited to the nature and scope of the task, the time frame involved, necessary professional guidelines, economy, efficiency, cost and cost responsibility.
- [(5)] (4) Not later than 12 months after the issuance of an audit **or evaluation or review** report, review the actions of an agency or other [government] organization for compliance with the recommendations of the [audit] report.
- [(6)] (5) Assign tasks to the Legislative Fiscal Office[, the Budget and Management Division, the Division of Audits or a special task force] or the Director of the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability.
 - [(7)] (6) Review state agency performance measures and make recommendations for change.
 - **SECTION 6.** ORS 297.050 is amended to read:
- 297.050. The Division of Audits of the office of the Secretary of State shall supply the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee and the

1 Legislative Fiscal Officer with a copy of each audit report made by or for the Division of Audits.

SECTION 7. ORS 297.230 is amended to read:

297.230. (1) The Division of Audits shall estimate in advance the expenses that [it] the division will incur during the biennium in carrying out the provisions of ORS 297.030, 297.120 and 297.210[,] and shall charge officers, departments, boards and commissions of state government and other public bodies for their share of such expenses for periods within the biennium and in sufficient amounts to provide reasonable cash operating requirements for the division [of Audits] within the biennial period. Each officer, department, board or commission or other public body shall pay to the credit of the Division of Audits Account such charge as an administrative expense from funds or appropriations available to it in the same manner as other claims against the state or public body are paid.

- (2) [Payments authorized under this section shall be consistent with ORS 171.580 and 171.585.] The Division of Audits shall report to the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee [established] created under ORS 171.580 when estimated expenses for an audit authorized under subsection (1) of this section exceed the estimated expenses for a biennium.
- (3) All moneys received from the various state departments, boards, commissions, institutions and state-aided institutions and agencies of the state in the payment of the costs of audits and reviews under this section and ORS 297.210 shall be credited to the Division of Audits Account.

SECTION 8. ORS 182.472 is amended to read:

182.472. Not later than January 1 of each even-numbered year, each board subject to ORS 182.456 to 182.472 shall submit a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Legislative Fiscal Officer. The Legislative Fiscal Officer shall review the reports and shall prepare and submit a statement of findings and conclusions to the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee. The report must include the following:

- (1) A copy of the most recent audit of the board.
- (2) A copy of the actual budget for the prior biennium and a copy of the board's adopted budget for the biennium in which the report is made. The budget documents must show:
 - (a) The beginning balance and ending balance for each of the two biennia;
 - (b) A description of material changes between the two biennia;
- (c) A description of the public hearing process used to establish the budget adopted for the current biennium; and
- (d) A description of current fees and proposed changes to fees, along with information supporting the amounts of the current fees and any proposed changes to the fees.
- (3) A description of all temporary and permanent rules adopted by the board since the last report was submitted.
- (4) A description of board actions promoting consumer protection that were taken since the last report was submitted.
- (5) If the board issues licenses, a description of the board's licensing activities performed since the last report that is adequate to allow evaluation of the board's performance of its licensing responsibilities, including:
 - (a) The number of license applications;
- 44 (b) The number of licenses issued;
- 45 (c) The number of examinations conducted;

- 1 (d) The average time between application for and issuance of licenses;
- 2 (e) The number and types of complaints received about persons holding licenses;
- 3 (f) The number and types of investigations conducted;
- 4 (g) The number and types of resolutions of complaints;
 - (h) The number and type of sanctions imposed; and

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- (i) The number of days between beginning an investigation and reaching a resolution.
- (6) A description of all other actions taken since the last report in the performance of the board's statutory responsibilities that is adequate to allow evaluation of the board's performance.

SECTION 9. ORS 184.360 is amended to read:

184.360. (1) As used in this section, "state government" has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.111.

- (2) It is the policy of this state that internal audit activities within state government be coordinated to promote effectiveness.
- (3) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall adopt rules setting standards and policies for internal audit functions within state government. The rules shall include, but are not limited to:
- (a) Standards for internal audits that are consistent with and incorporate commonly recognized industry standards and practices; and
 - (b) Policies and procedures that ensure the integrity of the internal audit process.
- (4) Not later than December 31 of each calendar year, the department shall prepare and submit a report to the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee. In the absence of the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee, the department shall submit the report to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means or the Emergency Board. The report shall describe internal audit activities that have occurred in state government during the calendar year in which the report is prepared.

SECTION 10. ORS 184.649 is amended to read:

184.649. The Department of Transportation shall appear before the Joint [Legislative Audit] **Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability** Committee [established by] **created under** ORS 171.580 at least once each biennium to report on internal audits and federal audits of the department.

SECTION 11. ORS 283.343 is amended to read:

283.343. At least biennially, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall examine compliance with rules adopted pursuant to ORS 283.340 by state agencies owning vehicles. The department shall submit biennially to the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee a management report on state-owned motor vehicles that includes:

- (1) Summaries of agency compliance examinations, with specific emphasis on noncomplying state agency fleets;
 - (2) Numbers of motor vehicles, listed by model and by state agency;
- (3) Mileage utilization of motor vehicles, listed by state agency;
 - (4) Operating cost per mile of motor vehicles, listed by state agency; and
- (5) Recommendations for increasing motor vehicle utilization, for decreasing the overall motor vehicle population and for absorbing noncomplying state agency fleets into the motor pool.
 - SECTION 12. ORS 291.100 is amended to read:

- 291.100. (1) It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly, in funding the development and implementation of a new statewide financial management system, that statewide financial management systems and policies support program-driven budget planning and execution, based on timely and accurate statewide managerial cost accounting information and that such systems support legislative program, performance and management evaluation or review [evaluation and performance auditing] of statewide programs and services.
- (2) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall devise and supervise statewide financial management systems for all state agencies by preparing policies and procedures for implementing and operating financial management systems for all agencies in state government and measuring implementation. In order to [assure] ensure that the state's investment in a modern and complete statewide financial management system is fully implemented, every agency and unit of state government shall:
- (a) Cooperate and comply fully with policies and procedures and deadlines prepared by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for establishing a database for the financial management system.
- (b) Comply fully with policies and procedures prepared by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for operation of the financial management system.
- (3) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 1 of even-numbered years:
- (a) Progress in implementing the financial management system as to preparation of financial statements, nonfinancial management information and the ability of the system to support legislative program, **performance and management evaluation or review** [evaluation and performance auditing].
- (b) Compliance by each agency and unit of state government with policies and procedures of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for implementation of the financial management system.
- (4) After a review of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services report by the Legislative Fiscal Officer, the Joint [Legislative Audit] Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee may schedule a hearing for any agency or unit of state government to review compliance with this section and policies and procedures of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services[, prior to any appropriation approval by the Legislative Assembly, as provided in ORS 171.585 (1)].

SECTION 13. ORS 291.272 is amended to read:

- 291.272. As used in ORS 291.272 to 291.280, unless the context requires otherwise:
- (1) "Administrative expenses" has the meaning defined by ORS 291.305.
- (2) "Department" means the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.
- (3) "Governmental service expenses" means the expenses of state government that are attributable to the operation, maintenance, administration and support of state government generally, and includes the following:
- (a) Administrative expenses of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services supported out of the General Fund.
- (b) Sixty percent of the expenditures of the Legislative Assembly out of moneys appropriated from the General Fund, and all of the expenditures incurred in the administration of the duties of the Emergency Board.
- (c) Sixty percent of the expenditures incurred in the administration of the duties of the Joint

Legislative Committee on Ways and Means and the Emergency Board.

- (d) Sixty percent of the expenditures incurred out of moneys appropriated from the General Fund in the administration of the duties of the Legislative Counsel Committee.
- (e) Sixty percent of the expenditures incurred out of moneys appropriated from the General Fund in the administration of the duties of the Joint Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability Committee.
- [(e)] (f) Expenditures of the Secretary of State in the administration of the office of the State Archivist, of historic properties programs, and of the administrative rules publication program.
- [(f)] (g) Seventy-five percent of the administrative expenses of the Office of the Governor incurred out of moneys appropriated from the General Fund.
- (4) "State agency" means every state officer, board, commission, department, institution, branch or agency of the state government, whose costs are paid wholly or in part from funds held in the State Treasury, and includes the Legislative Assembly, the courts and their officers and committees.

SECTION 14. ORS 419C.001 is amended to read:

419C.001. (1) The Legislative Assembly declares that in delinquency cases, the purposes of the Oregon juvenile justice system from apprehension forward are to protect the public and reduce juvenile delinquency and to provide fair and impartial procedures for the initiation, adjudication and disposition of allegations of delinquent conduct. The system is founded on the principles of personal responsibility, accountability and reformation within the context of public safety and restitution to the victims and to the community. The system shall provide a continuum of services that emphasize prevention of further criminal activity by the use of early and certain sanctions, reformation and rehabilitation programs and swift and decisive intervention in delinquent behavior. The system shall be open and accountable to the people of Oregon and their elected representatives.

- (2)(a) Programs, policies and services shall be regularly and independently audited as to their effectiveness in providing public safety and preventing a youth's return to criminal behavior. The Secretary of State shall select and oversee the auditors. Audits performed under this subsection must include program audits and performance audits[, as defined in ORS 297.070]. Programs, policies and services that were established before, on or after June 30, 1995, are subject to audit under this subsection.
- (b) The programs, policies and services of county juvenile departments shall be audited pursuant to this subsection.
 - (c) ORS 297.405 to 297.555 do not apply to an audit conducted pursuant to this subsection.
 - (3) To facilitate an audit under subsection (2) of this section:
- (a) The Secretary of State may subpoen witnesses, require the production of books and papers and the rendering of reports in such manner and form as the Secretary of State requires and may do all things necessary to secure a full and thorough investigation.
- (b) The custodian of information that the Secretary of State deems necessary to conduct the audit shall provide the Secretary of State or the auditor selected by the Secretary of State access to the information notwithstanding the fact that the information may be made confidential or access to the information restricted by ORS 419A.255 or another law. Information obtained by the Secretary of State or the auditor pursuant to this paragraph and made confidential by ORS 419A.255 or another law may be used by the Secretary of State, the officers and employees of the Secretary of State or the auditor solely for the purpose of performing the audit required by subsection (2) of this section and may not be used or disclosed for any other purpose.

(4) As used in this section:

(a) "Performance audit" includes determining:

- (A) Whether the programs, policies and services referred to in subsection (2) of this section that are the subject of the audit are acquiring, protecting and using resources economically and efficiently;
 - (B) The causes of uneconomical practices or inefficiencies; and
- (C) Whether the programs, policies and services have complied with laws and regulations concerning matters of economy and efficiency.
 - (b) "Program audit" includes determining:
- (A) The extent to which the desired results or benefits of the programs, policies and services referred to in subsection (2) of this section are being achieved;
- (B) The extent to which the need for or objectives of the programs, policies and services referred to in subsection (2) of this section are necessary or relevant;
- (C) Whether the programs, policies and services referred to in subsection (2) of this section complement, duplicate, overlap or conflict with other related programs;
- (D) The effectiveness of the programs, policies and services referred to in subsection (2) of this section; and
- (E) Whether the programs, policies and services referred to in subsection (2) of this section that are the subject of the audit have complied with applicable laws and regulations.

SECTION 15. ORS 171.590, 297.065 and 297.070 are repealed.

<u>SECTION 16.</u> Sections 1 to 3 of this 2007 Act, the amendments to ORS 171.580, 171.585, 182.472, 184.360, 184.649, 283.343, 291.100, 291.272, 297.050, 297.230 and 419C.001 by sections 4 to 14 of this 2007 Act and the repeal of ORS 171.590, 297.065 and 297.070 by section 15 of this 2007 Act do not affect any audit, action, proceeding or prosecution begun before and pending on January 1, 2008.

<u>SECTION 17.</u> Sections 1 to 3 of this 2007 Act, the amendments to ORS 171.580, 171.585, 182.472, 184.360, 184.649, 283.343, 291.100, 291.272, 297.050, 297.230 and 419C.001 by sections 4 to 14 of this 2007 Act and the repeal of ORS 171.590, 297.065 and 297.070 by section 15 of this 2007 Act become operative on January 1, 2008.

SECTION 18. The Secretary of State, the Joint Legislative Audit Committee and the Legislative Fiscal Officer may take any action before the operative date specified in section 17 of this 2007 Act that is necessary to enable the secretary, committee and officer to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in section 17 of this 2007 Act, all the duties, functions and powers conferred upon the secretary, committee and officer by sections 1 to 3 of this 2007 Act, the amendments to ORS 171.580, 171.585, 182.472, 184.360, 184.649, 283.343, 291.100, 291.272, 297.230 and 419C.001 by sections 4 to 14 of this 2007 Act and the repeal of ORS 171.590, 297.065 and 297.070 by section 15 of this 2007 Act.

<u>SECTION 19.</u> This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect on its passage.