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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to inspectors general; amending s.
3 14.32, F.S.; requiring the Chief Inspector General to
4 publish final investigative reports in a specified
5 manner within a certain timeframe; amending s. 20.055,
6 F.S.; requiring final investigative reports of
7 inspectors general to be published on an agency
8 website within a certain timeframe; creating s.
9 286.0015, F.S.; defining the term "unit of local
10 government"; requiring specified reports of local
11 governments to be published online within a certain
12 timeframe; providing an effective date.

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14 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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16 Section 1. Paragraph (1) is added to subsection (2) of
17 section 14.32, Florida Statutes, to read:

18 14.32 Office of Chief Inspector General.—

19 (2) The Chief Inspector General shall:

20 (1) Publish, on the website of the Executive Office of the
21 Governor, final investigative reports performed pursuant to this
22 section or received from inspectors general pursuant to s.
23 20.055. The Chief Inspector General may not publish a report on
24 the website if the investigation is confidential or otherwise
25 exempt from disclosure by law. The Chief Inspector General shall
26 publish reports under this paragraph within 10 days after
27 finalizing the report or receiving the report pursuant to s.
28 20.055.

29 Section 2. Present subsections (7) through (9) of section

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30 20.055, Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (8)
31 through (10), respectively, and a new subsection (7) is added to
32 that section, to read:

33 20.055 Agency inspectors general.—

34 (7) If an investigation is not confidential or otherwise
35 exempt from disclosure by law, the inspector general shall
36 publish final investigative reports, including all responses and
37 rebuttals authorized by this section, on the agency's website.
38 Within 10 days after finalizing a report, the inspector general
39 shall publish the report and provide a copy to the Chief
40 Inspector General for publication on the website of the
41 Executive Office of the Governor.

42 Section 3. Section 286.0015, Florida Statutes, is created
43 to read:

44 286.0015 Investigative reports of local governments; online
45 publication.—

46 (1) As used in this section, the term "unit of local
47 government" means a county, municipality, special district,
48 local agency, authority, consolidated city-county government, or
49 any other local governmental body or public body corporate or
50 politic authorized or created by general or special law.

51 (2) If the investigation is not confidential or otherwise
52 exempt from disclosure by law, a unit of local government shall
53 publish on its website the final investigative report by an
54 inspector general prepared for or on behalf of the unit of local
55 government. The unit of local government shall publish a report
56 under this section within 10 days after finalizing the report.
57 An investigation becomes final when the audit report or
58 investigative report is presented to the unit of local

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59 government.

60 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.