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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 specified final investigative reports
 7 of inspectors general to be published on an agency
 8 website within a certain timeframe; defining the term
 9 "unit of local government"; requiring specified
 10 reports of local governments to be published online
 11 within a certain timeframe; providing an effective
 12 date.

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

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), (8), and (9) of section

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30 20.055, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (8),
31 (9), and (10), respectively, and a new subsection (7) is added
32 to 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. Investigative reports of local governments;
43 online publication.—

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

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

58 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.