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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Auditor General; amending s.
 3 11.45, F.S.; requiring the Auditor General to annually
 4 conduct a performance audit of a randomly selected
 5 state agency; amending s. 1002.395, F.S.; conforming a
 6 cross-reference; providing an effective date.

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 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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10 Section 1. Present paragraphs (g) through (k) of subsection
 11 (2) of section 11.45, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as
 12 paragraphs (h) through (l), respectively, and a new paragraph
 13 (g) is added to that subsection, to read:

14 11.45 Definitions; duties; authorities; reports; rules.—

15 (2) DUTIES.—The Auditor General shall:

16 (g) Annually conduct a performance audit of a randomly
 17 selected state agency.

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 19 The Auditor General shall perform his or her duties
 20 independently but under the general policies established by the
 21 Legislative Auditing Committee. This subsection does not limit
 22 the Auditor General's discretionary authority to conduct other
 23 audits or engagements of governmental entities as authorized in
 24 subsection (3).

25 Section 2. Paragraph (d) of subsection (9) of section
 26 1002.395, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

27 1002.395 Florida Tax Credit Scholarship Program.—

28 (9) DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OBLIGATIONS.—The Department of
 29 Education shall:

30 (d) Annually verify the eligibility of expenditures as
 31 provided in paragraph (6) (d) using the audit required by
 32 paragraph (6) (m) and s. 11.45(2)(l) ~~11.45(2)(k)~~.

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Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.