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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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The Committee on Ethics and Elections (Smith) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (j) of subsection (7) of section  
11.45, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(7) AUDITOR GENERAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—

(j) The Auditor General shall notify the Legislative  
Auditing Committee of any financial or operational audit report



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11 prepared pursuant to this section which indicates that a  
12 district school board, ~~state university, or Florida College~~  
13 ~~System institution~~ has failed to take full corrective action in  
14 response to a recommendation that was included in the two  
15 preceding financial or operational audit reports.

16 1. The committee may direct the district school board ~~or~~  
17 ~~the governing body of the state university or Florida College~~  
18 ~~System institution~~ to provide a written statement to the  
19 committee explaining why full corrective action has not been  
20 taken or, if the district school board ~~governing body~~ intends to  
21 take full corrective action, describing the corrective action to  
22 be taken and when it will occur.

23 2. If the committee determines that the written statement  
24 is not sufficient, the committee may require the chair of the  
25 district school board ~~or the chair of the governing body of the~~  
26 ~~state university or Florida College System institution,~~ or the  
27 chair's designee, to appear before the committee.

28 3. If the committee determines that the district school  
29 board, ~~state university, or Florida College System institution~~  
30 has failed to take full corrective action for which there is no  
31 justifiable reason or has failed to comply with committee  
32 requests made pursuant to this section, the committee shall  
33 refer the matter to the State Board of Education ~~or the Board of~~  
34 ~~Governors, as appropriate,~~ to proceed in accordance with s.  
35 1008.32 ~~or s. 1008.322, respectively.~~

36 Section 2. Subsections (2), (7), (8), (9), and (13) of  
37 section 215.985, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

38 215.985 Transparency in government spending.—

39 (2) As used in this section, the term:



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40           ~~(a) "Committee" means the Legislative Auditing Committee~~  
41 ~~created in s. 11.40.~~

42           ~~(a)(b) "Contract" means a written agreement or purchase~~  
43 ~~order issued for the purchase of goods or services or a written~~  
44 ~~agreement for the receipt of state or federal financial~~  
45 ~~assistance.~~

46           ~~(b)(e) "Governmental entity" means a state, regional,~~  
47 ~~county, municipal, special district, or other political~~  
48 ~~subdivision whether executive, judicial, or legislative,~~  
49 ~~including, but not limited to, a department, division, bureau,~~  
50 ~~commission, authority, district, or agency thereof, or public~~  
51 ~~school, Florida College System institution, state university, or~~  
52 ~~associated board.~~

53           ~~(c)(d) "Website" means a site on the Internet which is~~  
54 ~~easily accessible to the public at no cost and does not require~~  
55 ~~the user to provide information.~~

56           ~~(7) By November 1, 2013, and annually thereafter, the~~  
57 ~~committee shall recommend to the President of the Senate and the~~  
58 ~~Speaker of the House of Representatives:~~

59           ~~(a) Additional information to be added to a website, such~~  
60 ~~as whether to expand the scope of the information provided to~~  
61 ~~include state universities, Florida College System institutions,~~  
62 ~~school districts, charter schools, charter technical career~~  
63 ~~centers, local government units, and other governmental~~  
64 ~~entities.~~

65           ~~(b) A schedule for adding information to the website by~~  
66 ~~type of information and governmental entity, including~~  
67 ~~timeframes and development entity.~~

68           ~~(c) A format for collecting and displaying the additional~~



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69 ~~information.~~

70 ~~(8) The manager of each website described in subsections~~  
71 ~~(4), (5), and (6) shall submit to the committee information~~  
72 ~~relating to the cost of creating and maintaining such website,~~  
73 ~~and the number of times the website has been accessed.~~

74 ~~(9) The committee shall coordinate with the Financial~~  
75 ~~Management Information Board in developing recommendations for~~  
76 ~~including information on the website which is necessary to meet~~  
77 ~~the requirements of s. 215.91(8).~~

78 ~~(13) The committee shall prepare an annual report detailing~~  
79 ~~progress in establishing the single website and providing~~  
80 ~~recommendations for enhancement of the content and format of the~~  
81 ~~website and related policies and procedures. The report shall be~~  
82 ~~submitted to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the~~  
83 ~~Speaker of the House of Representatives by November 1.~~

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

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86 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

87 And the title is amended as follows:

88 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
89 and insert:

90 A bill to be entitled  
91 An act relating to duties of the Legislative Auditing  
92 Committee; amending s. 11.45, F.S.; removing a  
93 requirement that the Auditor General notify the  
94 committee regarding certain financial or operational  
95 audit reports of state universities or Florida College  
96 System institutions; removing duties of the committee  
97 relating to state universities or Florida College



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98 System institutions that have failed to take  
99 corrective action based on such reports; amending s.  
100 215.985, F.S.; repealing provisions requiring the  
101 committee's input related to the website of the  
102 Executive Office of the Governor; providing an  
103 effective date.