ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2017 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB210

Hearing Date: Thursday January 26, 2017

Committee On: Executive Board Introducer: Watermeier

One Liner: Change standard and quality control provisions relating to legislative performance audit

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Chambers, Crawford, Hughes, Kuehn, Larson, McCollister,

Scheer, Watermeier

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Bolz

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Dan Watermeier District 1

Martha Carter Legislative Performance Audit Office

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB210 amends provisions of the Legislative Performance Audit Act as follows:

*Adds new language allowing for continuing education for performance audit staff to be met based on the availability of training funds and giving the committee the authority to determine the frequency of external quality control reviews.

*When conducting a tax incentive performance audit, LB210 gives the Legislative Auditor the authority to provide a report to the applicable agency director up to five days prior to providing it to the committee and fiscal analyst.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment adds a provision requiring the Legislative Auditor to create a plan for meeting continuing education standards for employees of the office.

Dan Watermeier, Chairperson