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- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the 2 following:
- 3 "Sec. 1. RCW 43.09.185 and 1995 c 301 s 8 are each amended to 4 read as follows:
- State agencies and local governments shall ((immediately)) report to the state auditor's office known or suspected loss of public funds or assets or other illegal activity. The state auditor must adopt policies as necessary to implement this section.
- 9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.09.230 and 1995 c 301 s 12 are each amended to 10 read as follows:
 - The state auditor shall require from every local government financial reports covering the full period of each fiscal year, in accordance with the forms and methods prescribed by the state auditor, which shall be uniform for all accounts of the same class.
 - Such reports shall be prepared, certified, and filed with the state auditor within one hundred fifty days after the close of each fiscal year.
- The reports shall contain accurate statements, in summarized 18 form, of all collections made, or receipts received, by the officers 19 20 from all sources; all accounts due the public treasury, but not 21 collected; and all expenditures for every purpose, and by what 22 authority authorized; and also: (1) A statement of all costs of ownership and operation, and of all income, of each and every public 23 24 service industry owned and operated by a local government; (2) a statement of the entire public debt of every local government, to 25 which power has been delegated by the state to create a public debt, 26 showing the purpose for which each item of the debt was created, and 27 28 the provisions made for the payment thereof; and (3) a classified 29 statement of all receipts and expenditures by any public institution; 30 ((and (4) a statement of all expenditures for labor relations

- 1 consultants, with the identification of each consultant,
 2 compensation, and the terms and conditions of each agreement or
 3 arrangement;)) together with such other information as may be
 4 required by the state auditor.
 - The reports shall be certified as to their correctness by the state auditor, the state auditor's deputies, or other person legally authorized to make such certification.
- 8 Their substance shall be published in an annual volume of 9 comparative statistics at the expense of the state as a public 10 document.
- 11 **Sec. 3.** RCW 43.09.420 and 1993 c 216 s 1 are each amended to 12 read as follows:
- As part of the routine audits of state agencies, the state 13 auditor shall audit all revolving funds, local funds, and other state 14 15 funds and state accounts that are not managed by or in the care of 16 the state treasurer and that are under the control of state agencies, 17 including but not limited to state departments, boards, and commissions. In conducting the audits of these funds and accounts, 18 the auditor shall examine revenues and expenditures or assets and 19 20 liabilities, accounting methods and procedures, and recordkeeping practices. ((In addition to including the results of these 21 22 examinations as part of the routine audits of the agencies, the auditor shall report to the legislature on the status of all such 23 24 funds and accounts that have been examined during the preceding biennium and any recommendations for their improved financial 25 management. Such a report shall be filed with the legislature within 26 27 five months of the end of each biennium regarding the funds and accounts audited during the biennium. The first such report shall be 28 29 filed by December 1, 1993, regarding any such funds and accounts 30 audited during the 1991-93 biennium.))
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. The following acts or parts of acts are each repealed:
- 33 (1) 2012 c 164 s 709 (uncodified);
- 34 (2) 2012 c 1 s 201 (uncodified);

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- 35 (3) 2005 c 385 s 1 (uncodified);
- 36 (4) RCW 43.09.265 (Local government accounting—Review of tax 16 levies of local governments) and 1995 c 301 s 16 & 1979 ex.s. c 218 s 38 7;

- 1 (5) RCW 43.09.430 (Performance audits—Definitions) and 2005 c 385
- 2 s 2;
- 3 (6) RCW 43.09.435 (Performance audits—Citizen advisory board) and
- 4 2005 c 385 s 3;
- 5 (7) RCW 43.09.440 (Performance audits—Collaboration with joint
- 6 legislative audit and review committee—Criteria—Statewide
- 7 performance review—Contracting out—Release of audit reports) and
- 8 2012 c 229 s 817 & 2005 c 385 s 5;
- 9 (8) RCW 43.09.445 (Performance audits—Local jurisdictions) and
- 10 2005 c 385 s 6;
- 11 (9) RCW 43.09.450 (Performance audits—Audit of performance audit
- 12 program) and 2005 c 385 s 8;
- 13 (10) RCW 43.09.455 (Performance audits—Follow-up and corrective
- 14 action—Progress reports) and 2005 c 385 s 9;
- 15 (11) RCW 43.09.460 (Performance audits—Appropriation—Budget
- 16 request) and 2005 c 385 s 11; and
- 17 (12) RCW 43.88.162 (State auditor's powers and duties—Performance
- 18 audits) and 2005 c 385 s 7."

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- On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "procedures;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 43.09.185, 43.09.230, and 43.09.420; repealing RCW 43.09.265, 43.09.430, 43.09.435, 43.09.440, 43.09.445, 43.09.450, 43.09.455, 43.09.460, and 43.88.162; and repealing 2012 c 164 s 709, 2012 c 1 s 201, and 2005 c 385 s 1 (uncodified)."
 - EFFECT: (1) Requires the Auditor's Office develop policies regarding state agency and local government reporting of known or suspected loss of funds or assets or other illegal activity to the auditor's office.
 - (2) Removes requirement for the Auditor to distribute reports to local government.

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