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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A " to S.P. 35, L.D. 33, "An Act to Change the Selection Process and Qualifications for State Auditor"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§241." by striking out all of the first paragraph (page 1, lines 8 to 37 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'The State Auditor shall-be is the head of the Department of Audit,-as-heretofore-established. He-shall The State Auditor must be a certified public accountant or a college-graduate-with-not less-than-6-years-of-experience-as-a-professional-accountant-or auditor,-including-not-less-than-5-years-of-auditing-experience, of-which-not-less-than-4-years-shall--have-been-in-a-supervisory capacity certified internal auditor. He--shall-be-elected The State Auditor is nominated by the Governor and must be confirmed by a 2/3 majority of the Legislature by-a-joint-ballet-of-the Senators-and-Representatives-in-convention-and-shall-hold. The term of office for-a-term-of-4 of the State Auditor is 4 years or until--his--successor--is--elected-and-qualified. He The State Auditor shall exercise such the powers and perform such the duties as-are set forth in this chapter. In-case If the office of State Auditor shall-become becomes vacant during a period when the Legislature is not in session, the appointment of a person to fill such the vacancy shall must be made immediately by the President--of--the--Senate--or--if--that--office--be--vacant,-by-the Speaker-of-the-House,-said-person-to-hold-office Governor until such time as the Legislature shall-meet meets in regular or special session, and--either--confirm--the--appointment--of--said

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2 ~~person--or--cheese--another--person--to--fill--the--office--during--the~~
3 ~~unexpired--term at which time the Legislature shall vote upon the~~
4 ~~individual appointed as provided in this section. If the~~
5 ~~Legislature fails to confirm the appointment, the office becomes~~
6 ~~vacant until a gubernatorial nominee is confirmed by the~~
7 ~~Legislature to fill the office during the unexpired term. During~~
8 ~~any vacancy, the duties of the office must be performed by the~~
9 ~~deputy auditor as provided in section 242.'~~

10 Further amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated
11 "§241-A." in the first paragraph in the 2nd line (page 1, line 45
12 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~quadrennial septennial~~
13 ~~election~~" and inserting in its place the following: 'quadrennial
14 election appointment'

15 Further amend the bill in section 3 in that part designated
16 "§242." in the 2nd paragraph in the 3rd line (page 2, line 13 in
17 L.D.) by inserting after the following: "accountant" the
18 following: 'or a certified internal auditor'

22 SUMMARY

23 This amendment adds language allowing a certified internal
24 auditor to serve as State Auditor, removes the language
25 increasing the State Auditor's term from 4 years to 7 years and
26 limiting service to one term and makes other provisions of law
27 consistent with these changes.
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