

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL 423

50TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2011

AN ACT

RELATING TO AUDITS; REQUIRING THE STATE AUDITOR TO PERFORM
EDUCATION-RELATED REVIEWS AND AUDITS OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND
CHARTER SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of the Audit Act is enacted to
read:

"~~[NEW MATERIAL]~~ EDUCATION-RELATED REVIEWS AND AUDITS--
SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS.--The state auditor shall
conduct education-related reviews and audits of school
districts and charter schools to deter and investigate fraud
and to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of school
district or charter school operations, reliability and
integrity of financial and operational information,
safeguarding of assets and compliance with contracts and state

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1 and federal laws and rules. The state auditor shall consult
2 with the public education department when determining a school
3 district or charter school to review or audit."

4 SECTION 2. TEMPORARY PROVISION--TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL AND
5 APPROPRIATIONS.--Three of the six full-time equivalent
6 positions in the office of inspector general of the public
7 education department and appropriations that support those
8 positions are transferred to the office of the state auditor.

9 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
10 provisions of this act is July 1, 2011.