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Directing the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study the establishment of an office of inspector general in each Secretariat. Report.

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Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, the federal government in 1978 established Offices of Inspector General to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the administration of, and to prevent and detect fraud and abuse in federal programs and operations; and

WHEREAS, the prevention of fraud, waste, abuse, and corruption in the agencies of the Commonwealth is an important responsibility of state government; and

WHEREAS, the prevention of fraud, waste, abuse and corruption in state agencies depends in part on the development, implementation and enforcement of sound policies and procedures to that end; and

WHEREAS, each state agency should exercise constant vigilance and firmly commit to the implementation and enforcement of such policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Office of the State Inspector General will facilitate the obligation to carry out the vigilance described above, and strengthen the trust between the citizens of Virginia and their public officials; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission be directed to study the establishment of an office of inspector general in each Secretariat. The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission, as part of its study, shall report on the effectiveness of other states that have established an Office of Inspector General, including the identification of the various statutory models available in creating these offices.

The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission shall submit to the Division of Legislative Automated Systems an executive summary and report of its progress in meeting the directives of this resolution no later than the first day of the 2005 Regular Session of the General Assembly. The executive summary and report shall be submitted as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.

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