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on Government Organization]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §5A-2-33 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2 to requiring the Department of Administration to publish its comprehensive annual financial
3 report by the end of December of the calendar year in which the fiscal year reported upon
4 ended.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. FINANCE DIVISION.

§5A-2-33. Financial accounting and reporting section; comptroller; powers and responsibilities.

1 (a) The financial accounting and reporting section created under section one of this article
2 shall be under the control and supervision of a comptroller. The provisions of this section shall
3 apply to all component units of state government, as defined by generally accepted accounting
4 principles.

5 (b) The comptroller, under the direction and supervision of the director of the Finance
6 Division, has the power and responsibility to:

7 (1) Maintain financial records supporting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
8 required under ~~subsection (8) of this section~~ subdivision (8) of this subsection, in accordance with
9 generally accepted accounting principles;

10 (2) Maintain the official chart of accounts of the state;

11 (3) Maintain the centralized accounting system;

12 (4) Maintain the statewide accounting policies and procedures;

13 (5) Direct the establishment and maintenance of an adequate internal control structure by
14 the various component units of state government;

15 (6) Verify the periodic reconciliation of assets as reported by the board of Investments and
16 budgetary fund balances as reported by the State Auditor;

17 (7) Issue management financial reports by component unit and department, as well as
18 consolidated management financial reports, as follows:

19 ~~(a)~~ (A) Monthly budgetary basis reports by revenue and expense, budget compared to
20 actual, and encumbrances; and

21 ~~(b)~~ (B) Financial position reports, including, but not limited to, cash, investments,
22 indebtedness, obligations and accounts payable.

23 (8) Issue a comprehensive annual financial report no later than the end of December of
24 the calendar year in which the fiscal year reported upon ended in accordance with generally
25 accepted accounting principles;

26 (9) Have the general purpose financial statements of the state audited annually by
27 independent certified public accountants;

28 (10) Require the state pension systems, workers' compensation commission, Public
29 Employees Insurance Agency, Board of Risk and Insurance Management and the various other
30 component units of the state to prepare financial statements audited by independent certified
31 public accountants and submit the audited financial statements to the financial accounting and
32 reporting section in the form and within the time frames established by the financial accounting
33 and reporting section;

34 (11) Maintain controls over access to the centralized accounting system and the required
35 modifications, as well as edits, controls and tables;

36 (12) Promulgate legislative rules in accordance with §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code to
37 effectuate the intent and purpose of this section: *Provided*, That such rules may initially be
38 implemented by emergency rule; and

39 (13) Do all things necessary and convenient to maintain the centralized accounting
40 system, to issue financial reports of the state and to carry out its powers and responsibilities.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require the Department of Administration to publish its comprehensive annual financial report by the end of December of the calendar year in which the fiscal year reported upon ended.

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