

MEMORANDUM

Legislative Post Audit

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To: Members, House Committee on Legislative Modernization

From: Chris Clarke, Legislative Post Auditor

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Subject: **HB 2270**

I appreciate the opportunity to provide neutral testimony on HB 2270. This bill in part would slightly amend the Legislative Post Audit Act.

Background

K.S.A. 46-1135 requires our office to conduct information technology audits as directed by the legislative post audit committee. These include 2 forms:

- An assessment of security practices at any state agency or entity subject to audit, and
- Continuous audits of ongoing information technology projects.

The current statute also requires "written reports must be furnished to" a list which includes the Legislative Post Audit Committee, the audited entity, and the chief information technology officer for the branch of government that the audited entity is part of.

Provisions of HB 2270

In part, this bill would add one additional audit report recipient. In addition to the chief information technology officer for the branch, the bill would expand the distribution to also include the chief information security officer of the branch that the audited entity is part of. This addition ensures the appropriate security office for the affected branch is informed of audit findings.