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<u>SB 1473</u>: agencies; single audit reports; penalty Sponsor: Senator Kern, LD 27 House Engrossed

Overview

Outlines penalties for state agencies that submit a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) late.

<u>History</u>

<u>The Single Audit Act of 1984</u> establishes requirements for audits of states, local governments and Indian tribal governments that expend over \$750,000 in federal awards during one fiscal year. As part of a single audit, states, local governments and Indian tribal governments are required to prepare a SEFA, note disclosures, corrective action plans and a summary schedule of prior audit findings. A SEFA can include but is not limited to financial statement numbers, federal agency assistance listings numbers, program names and other information not typically found in the general ledger.

Provisions

- 1. Stipulates a penalty of 1% of the amount of federal monies received annually by a state agency for every 30 days an agency required to comply with federal single audit requirements is late in submitting a SEFA to the Auditor General. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Mandates that if a state agency submits a SEFA late:
 - a) the Auditor General must notify the State Treasurer of the amount of the penalty; and
 - b) the State Treasurer must withhold the penalty from a state agency's appropriation for the following fiscal year. (Sec. 1)