

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	15-2497/2	Introduction Number	AB-0382	Estimate Type	Original
Description Creating a legislative office of inspector general and making appropriations					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates a nonpartisan legislative service agency, the Legislative Office of Inspector General, that consists of 13 inspectors general and their staff who are assigned to and housed at the headquarters of certain state agencies. Among other duties, each inspector general must investigate fraud in state agency programs or activities and report any finding of fraud to the Department of Justice; investigate waste, abuse, or inefficiency in state agency programs or activities and report any finding to the appropriate standing committees in each house of the Legislature; and submit an annual report to the chief clerk of each house of the Legislature.

Under the bill, the Legislative Audit Bureau shall, upon request, provide assistance to inspectors general in the Legislative Office of Inspector General.

It is not possible to estimate the fiscal effect to the Audit Bureau of responding to requests to provide assistance to inspectors general in the Legislative Office of Inspector General. The volume and scope of requests cannot be predicted. It should be noted, however, that any assistance provided to inspectors general would likely reduce the flexibility of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee to direct the Bureau to complete other audits and evaluations.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications