



ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Senate Bill 183

Powers: LB&A Committee; Legislative Audit Sectional Analysis

Section 1 – AS 11.56.845(a): Hindering the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee

Amends the criminal statute governing obstruction of the Legislative Budget and Audit (LB&A) Committee. This is conforming language, so the statute is consistent with Section 2 of the bill.

Section 2 – AS 24.20.201(a): Powers of the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee

Clarifies the committee's existing authority that requires state officials and agencies to cooperate by requiring requested information to be provided not only in substance, but also in the form or format requested by the committee or its staff.

Section 3 – AS 24.20.271: Powers and Duties of the Legislative Audit Division

Updates the legislative audit division's powers to mirror those granted to the committee in Section 2. This section clarifies the division may require information in specific forms or formats as part of its audit functions.

Section 4 – AS 39.25.160(l): Grounds for Disciplinary Action

Aligns personnel law with the criminal and statutory provisions of the bill.

Section 5 – Applicability

Amends uncodified law and applies the amendment to AS 11.56.845(a) (under Section 1) to offenses committed on or after the effective date of the Act. This provision ensures clarity regarding the prospective application of the new criminal standard.

Section 6 – Effective Date

Provides that the Act takes effect immediately.