OVERVIEW: Sec. 31.1 of S.L. 2018-5 amends a subdivision of G.S. 143-49, which authorizes the Secretary of Administration to develop a rigorous contract management training program, to require mandatory certification in the contract management training program for all State employees who monitor compliance and/or award contracts. The Department of Administration (DOA) must report by November 1, 2018 to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government on State agencies' compliance with the new requirements.

This section also provides that DOA must develop and implement a contracting specialist training program for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and consult with the University of North Carolina School of Government to develop and implement the program. The DOA must report by November 1, 2018 to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on General Government and the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services on the status of the contracting specialist training program for DHHS.

This section became effective July 1, 2018.