

SENATE BILL 284: State Auditor/Verifications & Access.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee: Senate Pensions and Retirement and Aging. If **Date:** May 1, 2019

favorable, re-refer to Rules and Operations of

the Senate

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OVERVIEW: House Bill 284 amends the duties and responsibilities of the State Auditor and allows access to certain records.

BILL ANALYSIS: HB 284 amends G.S. 147-64.6 providing the duties and responsibilities of the State Auditor. The bill does the following:

- Requires the Auditor to independently examine and make findings of fact on whether State
 agencies are adhering to statutory requirements that include conditions precedent, classifications,
 and similar eligibility or qualifying standards to assure that statutory intent is carried out while the
 requirements are in effect.
- Provides that the Auditor is responsible for verification audits for compliance with statutory requirements, with or without advance notice to the organization or State agency being audited, which may be initiated at the discretion of the Auditor or as requested by the Governor or General Assembly.
- Allows the Auditor to examine the accounts and records of any organization or State agency relating to a verification audit for compliance with a statutory condition precedent, classification, or other similar eligibility or qualifying standard."

EFFECTIVE DATE: HB 284 becomes effective when it becomes law.

