Testimony Against HB0078

Please vote against HB0078 because, if passed, it would remove a key control of the existing law, namely, the requirement to do a non-financial audit as to how well the Service is doing its job

See Page 4, lines 15-18 of the bill

Subject to subparagraph (i) of this paragraph and either as a separate part of the audit required under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph or as an individual audit, the Service shall obtain an audit that focuses on unauthorized spending, misallocated expenses, lack of conformity with State law or Board policies, and other accounting errors.

As a taxpayer, I cannot understand why important information such as unauthorized spending, misallocated expenses, and non-conformity with State law and Board policies would no longer be required.

This audit should and could be far more valuable to Service management, legislative oversight, and taxpayers than the information from the required financial audit.

I am highly suspicious of any bill that would remove a control that would inform stakeholders about misspent or wasted taxpayer funds.

Is there something remiss in this program that needs to be covered-up by this bill?

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