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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

25 ILCS 130/1-5	from Ch. 6	3, par. 1001-5	
25 ILCS 150/4	from Ch. 6	3, par. 107	

Amends the Legislative Audit Commission Act. Requires the co-chairpersons of the Commission to be involved in any search of correspondence associated with materials summoned to be brought to the Commission. Makes a technical change concerning the co-chairpersons of the Commission to be consistent with the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1984. Amends the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984. Makes a technical change concerning the Commission to be consistent with the Legislative Audit Commission Act.

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AN ACT concerning State government.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Legislative Commission Reorganization Act
of 1984 is amended by changing Section 1-5 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 130/1-5) (from Ch. 63, par. 1001-5)

7 Sec. 1-5. Composition of agencies; directors.

The Boards of the Joint Committee on Administrative 8 (a) 9 Commission on Government Forecasting Rules, the and Accountability, the Legislative Audit Commission Committee, 10 and the Legislative Research Unit shall each consist of 12 11 members of the General Assembly, of whom 3 shall be appointed 12 by the President of the Senate, 3 shall be appointed by the 13 14 Minority Leader of the Senate, 3 shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and 3 shall be 15 Minority Leader of 16 appointed by the the House of 17 Representatives. All appointments shall be in writing and filed with the Secretary of State as a public record. 18

Members shall serve a 2-year term, and must be appointed by the Joint Committee during the month of January in each odd-numbered year for terms beginning February 1. Any vacancy in an Agency shall be filled by appointment for the balance of the term in the same manner as the original appointment. A vacancy shall exist when a member no longer holds the elected legislative office held at the time of the appointment or at the termination of the member's legislative service.

During the month of February of each odd-numbered year, the 4 5 Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services shall select from the members of the Board of each Agency 2 co-chairpersons 6 7 and such other officers as the Joint Committee deems necessary. 8 The co-chairpersons of each Board shall serve for a 2-year 9 term, beginning February 1 of the odd-numbered year, and the 2 10 co-chairpersons shall not be members of or identified with the 11 same house or the same political party.

Each Board shall meet twice annually or more often upon the call of the chair or any 9 members. A quorum of the Board shall consist of a majority of the appointed members.

15 (b) The Board of each of the following legislative support 16 agencies shall consist of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary 17 of the Senate and the Clerk and Assistant Clerk of the House of Representatives: the Legislative Information System, 18 the Legislative Printing Unit, the Legislative Reference Bureau, 19 and the Office of 20 the Architect of the Capitol. The co-chairpersons of the Board of the Office of the Architect of 21 22 the Capitol shall be the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk 23 of the House of Representatives, each ex officio.

The Chairperson of each of the other Boards shall be the member who is affiliated with the same caucus as the then serving Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative

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Support Services. Each Board shall meet twice annually or more
 often upon the call of the chair or any 3 members. A quorum of
 the Board shall consist of a majority of the appointed members.

When the Board of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol has cast a tied vote concerning the design, implementation, or construction of a project within the legislative complex, as defined in Section 8A-15, the Architect of the Capitol may cast the tie-breaking vote.

9 (c) (Blank).

10 (d) Members of each Agency shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in 11 12 carrying out the duties of the Agency pursuant to rules and 13 regulations adopted by the Joint Committee on Legislative 14 Support Services.

Beginning February 1, 1985, and every 2 15 (e) years 16 thereafter, the Joint Committee shall select an Executive 17 Director who shall be the chief executive officer and staff director of each Agency. The Executive Director shall receive a 18 19 salary as fixed by the Joint Committee and shall be authorized 20 to employ and fix the compensation of necessary professional, technical and secretarial staff and prescribe their duties, 21 22 sign contracts, and issue vouchers for the payment of 23 obligations pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the Joint Committee on Legislative Support Services. The Executive 24 25 Director and other employees of the Agency shall not be subject 26 to the Personnel Code.

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The executive director of the Office of the Architect of
 the Capitol shall be known as the Architect of the Capitol.
 (Source: P.A. 98-692, eff. 7-1-14.)

Section 10. The Legislative Audit Commission Act is amended
by changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (25 ILCS 150/4) (from Ch. 63, par. 107)

7 Sec. 4. The <u>co-chairpersons</u> presiding officer of the 8 Commission, as described in Section 1-5 of the Legislative 9 Commission Reorganization Act of 1984, or any persons person 10 designated by them him, upon majority vote of the Commission, 11 may administer oaths or affirmations and summon and compel the attendance before the Commission and examine under oath any 12 person connected either directly or indirectly with any 13 14 transaction with State agencies or any other person having 15 information regarding the conditions, affairs, management, 16 administration or methods involved in such financial 17 transactions or fiscal matters. The Commission may similarly 18 require any person having in his possession any records, books, 19 papers, contracts or other documents pertinent to such matters 20 or transactions to surrender the same or to otherwise afford 21 the Commission access thereto. The co-chairpersons shall be 22 involved in any search of correspondence associated with materials summoned to be brought to the Commission. 23

24 Should any person fail to obey the summons or refuse to

1 surrender or afford access, without reasonable cause, to any of 2 the above mentioned papers, records, books, contracts or other 3 documents, the Commission may apply to the Circuit Court of the 4 County in which any operation of the fiscal matter or financial 5 transaction took place, and such Court, if it finds that the 6 Commission has not exceeded its authority, may, by order duly entered, require the attendance of witnesses and the production 7 of relevant books and papers required by the Commission in 8 9 carrying out the purposes of the Act. Upon refusal or neglect 10 to obey the order of the Court, the Court may compel obedience 11 of such order by proceedings for contempt.

12 (Source: Laws 1957, p. 810.)

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