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Article - State Government

SUBTITLE 10. INTERNAL AUDITS

10-1001.

- (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
- (B) "AGENCY" MEANS EVERY AGENCY, BOARD, BUREAU, COMMISSION, COUNCIL, DEPARTMENT, OR INSTITUTION IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT.
 - (C) "AGENCY HEAD" MEANS THE EXECUTIVE HEAD OF AN AGENCY.
- (D) "CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITOR" MEANS THE PERSON EMPLOYED DESIGNATED BY AN AGENCY TO DIRECT INTERNAL AUDITS FOR THE AGENCY.
- (E) "INTERNAL AUDIT" MEANS AN EXAMINATION AND EVALUATION OF THE ADEQUACY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF AN AGENCY'S SYSTEM OF
 - (1) SYSTEM OF INTERNAL CONTROL;
 - (2) COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW;
 - (3) COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS; AND
- (4) QUALITY OF PERFORMANCE IN CARRYING OUT! ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

10-1002.

- (A) EACH AGENCY THAT PERFORMS INTERNAL AUDITS SHALL EMPLOX:
 - (1) DESIGNATE A CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITOR; AND
- (2) AS THE AGENCY HEAD DETERMINES TO BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT AN EFFECTIVE PROGRAM OF INTERNAL AUDITS, ADDITIONAL THAT INCLUDES, AS THE AGENCY HEAD DETERMINES TO BE NECESSARY, PROFESSIONAL AND SUPPORT STAFF THAT HAVE THE TECHNICAL PROFICIENCY AND EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND APPROPRIATE FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE AUDITS.
 - (B) THE AGENCY HEAD SHALL APPOINT THE CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITOR.
 - (C) (B) THE CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITOR SHALL:
- (1) $\underline{PREFERABLY}$ BE EITHER A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT OR A CERTIFIED INTERNAL AUDITOR; AND
- (2) HAVE AT LEAST 3 YEARS OF AUDITING EXPERIENCE.
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THE CHIEF INTERNAL AUDITOR OF AN AGENCY SHALL: