- (1) THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS;
- (2) THE LEGISLATIVE ACCOUNTING OFFICE; AND
- (3) SUCH OTHER OFFICES AS MAY BE ASSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER.

IN ADDITION TO ANY DUTIES SET FORTH ELSEWHERE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

- (1) CONDUCT STUDIES ON FISCAL MATTERS THAT RELATE TO THE STATE BUDGET INCLUDING:
 - (I) TAXES AND REVENUES;
 - (II) FINANCES;

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- (III) FINANCIAL POLICIES OF PUBLIC AGENCIES: AND
- (IV) GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS AND PRIVATE ENTITIES:
- (2) CONDUCT STUDIES ON FINANCIAL AND OTHER MATTERS OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT;
- (3) CONDUCT STUDIES ON ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT IN STATE GOVERNMENT;
- (4) STUDY ALL MATTERS THAT RELATE TO THE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE OPERATION OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT, WHETHER OR NOT THE MATTER IS A DIRECT BUDGETARY CONCERN;
- (5) PROPOSE STATUTORY CHANGES TO EFFECT OPERATIONAL ECONOMY OR EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION;
- (6) PERFORM THE FOLLOWING DUTIES WITH RESPECT TO THE REVIEW OF EXPENDITURES:
- (1) BEFORE EACH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, REVIEW EACH ITEM IN THE PROPOSED STATE BUDGET SO AS TO BE ABLE TO REPORT ON THE JUSTIFICATION FOR \overline{OF} A UNIT FOR THAT ITEM;
- (II) REVIEW THE PROPOSED STATE BUDGET AT EACH STAGE OF ITS CONSIDERATION;
- (III) DURING CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED STATE BUDGET, IDENTIFY EACH OF THE ITEMS THAT:
 - 1. PROVIDES FOR A NEW FUNCTION; OR
- 2. HAS BEEN DISAPPROVED PREVIOUSLY BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY;