# STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE PERFORMANCE AUDITS OF STATE GOVERNMENT

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### **Initiative 900 Requires JLARC Report**

In November 2005, the people of the State of Washington approved Initiative 900. The initiative directs the State Auditor to conduct performance audits of state and local government agencies.

The initiative also includes the following direction with regard to performance audits of state government: "An annual report will be submitted by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee by July 1st of each year detailing the status of the legislative implementation of the State Auditor's recommendations." This report represents JLARC's compliance with this requirement for 2007.

### One Performance Audit Report Released by the State Auditor's Office in FY 2007

The State Auditor has released one performance audit report as of June 30, 2007, a performance audit of the Washington Department of General Administration State Motor Pool (February 28, 2007). Subsequent to the audit's release, the Legislature held two hearings to receive public testimony, on March 22 and March 26, 2007.

The Motor Pool performance audit contains four recommendations for changing the operation of General Administration's motor pool. In a joint response, the Office of Financial Management and the Department of General Administration outline their action plan for addressing the audit findings. The joint response indicates that the agencies are further analyzing the feasibility of implementing the recommendations for achieving savings, given current federal regulations and collective bargaining agreements.

The Motor Pool performance audit does not contain recommendations for action specifically directed to the Legislature. The Legislature's recently passed budget for the 2007-09 biennium does not assume savings based on this performance audit at this time.