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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 26-017

101 **CONCERNING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KERRI L. HUNTER TO THE**
102 **POSITION OF STATE AUDITOR.**

1 WHEREAS, Section 49 of Article V of the Constitution of the
2 State of Colorado provides for a majority of the members serving in each
3 house of the General Assembly to appoint a state auditor to serve for a
4 term of five years; and

5 WHEREAS, Among the functions of the Legislative Audit
6 Committee is to examine persons applying for the position of state auditor
7 as to qualifications and ability but without regard to political affiliation
8 and, after consultation with the Executive Committee of the Legislative
9 Council, to place the name of the most qualified candidate for the position
10 in nomination before the General Assembly; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
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SENATE
Final Reading
March 16, 2026

1 WHEREAS, In 2021, the General Assembly approved the
2 appointment of Kerri L. Hunter as state auditor for a five-year term
3 commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2026; and

4 WHEREAS, Since becoming state auditor, Ms. Hunter has
5 demonstrated outstanding leadership of her office, as evidenced by her
6 building and maintaining a team of highly experienced and dedicated
7 individuals; her competent, professional, and nonpartisan oversight of
8 complex audits and evaluations touching on many aspects of state
9 government; her commitment to the highest ethical standards; and her
10 ability to establish and maintain quality relationships with members of the
11 General Assembly and other elected officials, as well as with officials
12 within state agencies and business and community leaders; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Hunter, a Boettcher Foundation Scholar Alumni,
14 has more than 31 years of governmental auditing experience; has
15 dedicated her career to promoting government effectiveness, efficiency,
16 and accountability across Colorado state government; and is highly
17 regarded as a subject matter expert in auditing and government
18 operations; and

19 WHEREAS, In 2023, 2024, and 2025, Ms. Hunter and her staff
20 received multiple, national Impact Awards from the National Conference
21 of State Legislatures in recognition of their high-quality work, and in
22 2021, Ms. Hunter was the recipient of the Pro15 Northeast Colorado's
23 2021 Alumni of the Plains Award for professional excellence; and

24 WHEREAS, On February 25, 2026, in accordance with section
25 2-3-101 (3)(a), Colorado Revised Statutes, the Legislative Audit
26 Committee voted unanimously to submit the name of Kerri L. Hunter to
27 the second regular session of the Seventy-fifth General Assembly for the
28 position of state auditor; and

29 WHEREAS, In accordance with statutory requirements, the
30 Legislative Audit Committee consulted with the Executive Committee of
31 the Legislative Council with respect to the reappointment of Ms. Hunter,
32 and the Executive Committee concurs with the reappointment; now,
33 therefore,

34 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-fifth General Assembly*
35 *of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:*

1 That Kerri L. Hunter be reappointed by this General Assembly to
2 the position of state auditor for a term commencing July 1, 2026, and
3 ending June 30, 2031, and until a qualified successor is appointed.