



1 to any facilities and personnel requested by them. Except when accessibility is  
2 prohibited by a federal statute, federal ~~regulation~~-regulation, or State statute, every State  
3 department, State agency, or State institution shall give the Legislative Services Office  
4 and the ~~Fiscal Research Division~~-these divisions access to any data base or stored  
5 information maintained by computer, telecommunications, or other electronic data  
6 processing equipment, whether stored on tape, disk, or otherwise, and regardless of the  
7 medium for storage or transmission.

8 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, access to the State Personnel  
9 Management Information System by the Research and Bill Drafting Divisions shall only  
10 be through the Fiscal Research or Program Evaluation Division."

11 **SECTION 3.** Chapter 120 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a  
12 new article to read:

13 "Article 7C.

14 "Program Evaluation Division.

15 **"§ 120-36.11. Duties of Program Evaluation Division.**

16 The Program Evaluation Division of the Legislative Services Commission has the  
17 following powers and duties:

- 18 (1) To examine a program or an activity of a State agency and evaluate the  
19 merits of the program or activity and the agency's effectiveness in  
20 conducting the program or activity.
- 21 (2) To develop quantitative indicators for measuring the number of  
22 activities performed and services provided by a State agency and the  
23 extent to which the activities and services are achieving results.
- 24 (3) To develop unit cost measures to determine the cost of activities  
25 performed and services provided by a State agency.
- 26 (4) To make unannounced visits to a State agency when needed to  
27 evaluate a program or an activity of the agency.
- 28 (5) To make recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness  
29 of a State agency.
- 30 (6) To determine the extent to which a State agency has implemented any  
31 of the Division's recommendations concerning the agency.
- 32 (7) To require a State agency to submit a written response to a proposed or  
33 final recommendation of the Division and to submit a written  
34 explanation of the extent to which the agency has implemented the  
35 Division's recommendations.
- 36 (8) To conduct studies directed by the Legislative Services Commission or  
37 either house of the General Assembly.
- 38 (9) To make periodic reports of the activities and recommendations of the  
39 Division and of any savings achieved by the implementation of its  
40 recommendations."

41 **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.