

Topic Selection Criteria

Used by the Legislative Audit Commission to Choose Evaluation Topics

1. **State Resources.** What state government resources are involved?
(E.g., how much state money goes to this program?)
2. **State Control.** How much control does the state have over this program or activity?
(E.g., do state, federal, or local laws regulate this program?)
3. **Impact.** Are significant social and/or economic impacts involved?
(E.g., how many people are affected by this program and how deeply?)
4. **Timeliness.** Is this an appropriate time for an evaluation?
(E.g., is this program changing or have new procedures recently been implemented?)
5. **Feasibility.** Are data and resources available for an evaluation?
6. **Balance.** Would the topic contribute to a balanced work agenda?
(E.g., has our office recently conducted an evaluation of this program?)