Amend CSHB 262 by adding the following appropriately numbered section to read as follows and renumbering subsequent sections accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. The Texas Department of Economic Development, or its successor in function, shall hire an independent consultant to perform an analysis of the return on investment the state receives or should be expected to receive from the changes in law made by this Act. The independent consultant shall prepare the report and present it to the department not later than September 1, 2004. The department shall hire three independent consultants to review and critique the report. The independent consultants shall jointly prepare a report on their review not later than December 1, 2004. The department shall deliver the original report and the joint report to the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives not later than December 31, 2004.