

1 [Amending the Budget and Legislative Analyst Services Audit Plan - Academy of Sciences –
2 FYs 2026-2027 and 2027-2028]

3 **Motion directing the Budget and Legislative Analyst to initiate a performance and**
4 **management audit, in collaboration with the Controller’s office, of the Academy of**
5 **Sciences in Fiscal Years (FYs) 2026-2027 and 2027-2028.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Academy of Sciences received a General Fund allocation of
8 \$8,100,000 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 and the Mayor proposed an increase of \$932,185
9 or 11.5 percent, in FY2026-2027; and

10 WHEREAS, The Interim Executive Director publicly discussed that the Academy of
11 Sciences is facing a challenging structural deficit; and

12 WHEREAS, The Academy of Sciences laid off 53 staff members in April 2026; and

13 WHEREAS, It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that each program of the City
14 and County of San Francisco be the subject of a performance audit at least once every eight
15 years; and

16 WHEREAS, There is no record of the Academy of Sciences ever undergoing a
17 department-wide performance or management audit; and

18 WHEREAS, The function of regular performance audits is to ensure that City
19 departments and agencies make prudent and efficient use of City resources and also
20 effectively perform the functions assigned to them by the Charter and applicable laws; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 MOVED, That the Budget and Legislative Analyst is hereby directed to initiate in
23 collaboration with the Controller’s office, a performance and management audit of the
24 Academy of Sciences, including a review of assets, debts, and investments as part of their FY
25 2026-2027 and FY 2027-2028 Audit Schedule.