

STATE OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

William G. Holland, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

JUDICIAL INQUIRY BOARD

COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION For the Two Years Ended: June 30, 2010 Summary of Findings:Total this audit:2Total last audit:1Repeated from last audit:1

Release Date: June 23, 2011

SYNOPSIS

- The Judicial Inquiry Board was not composed of nine members as required by the Constitution of the State of Illinois.
- The Board did not maintain sufficient controls over the recording and reporting of State-owned equipment.

{Expenditures and Activity Measures are summarized on the reverse page.}

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board was not composed of the required nine members

Board agrees to work with Governor's Office

Additions and deletions were reported incorrectly

Board agrees with auditors

LACK OF REQUIRED BOARD MEMBERS

The Judicial Inquiry Board (Board) was not composed of nine board members as required by the Constitution of the State of Illinois. During the examination period, the Board was not comprised of two of three lawyers and one of four non-lawyers for fiscal year 2009 and was not comprised of two of four non-lawyers for fiscal year 2010. (Finding 1, page 9)

We recommended the Board continue to work with the Governor's Office to ensure the Board vacancies are filled in a timely manner.

Board officials stated although the Board is not constitutionally required to ensure that vacancies are filled in a timely manner (the Governor has sole responsibility for the appointment of non-judicial members), the Board will continue to actively work with the Governor's office concerning the matter.

PROPERTY CONTROL WEAKNESS

The Board did not maintain sufficient controls over the recording and reporting of State-owned equipment. We noted the Board filed one Agency Report of Fixed Assets late. Further, the Board failed to report equipment purchases and underreported equipment deletions.

In addition, the Board understated additions, failed to remove deletions from property listings and failed to remove software installed on surplus laptops from the property records. (Finding 2, pages 10-11)

We recommended the Board comply with the Illinois Administrative Code and SAMS requirements to ensure all property is recorded and reported.

Board officials agreed with the finding and recommendation.

AUDITORS' OPINION

We conducted a compliance examination of the Judicial Inquiry Board as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. We have not audited any financial statements of the Board for the purpose of expressing an opinion because the Board does not, nor is it required to, prepare financial statements.

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AUDITORS ASSIGNED This compliance examination was performed by the Office of the Auditor General's staff.