

STATE OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Compliance Examination For the Two Years Ended June 30, 2019 Release Date: March 12, 2020

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 2				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS							
	New	<u>Repeat</u>	Total	Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3				
Category 1:	1	0	1								
Category 2:	1	0	1								
Category 3:	_0	0	_0	No Repeated Findings							
TOTAL	2	0	2								
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 1											

SYNOPSIS

• (19-01) The Office of the Lieutenant Governor (Office) failed to maintain proper controls over personal services functions.

Category 1: Findings that are **material weaknesses** in internal control and/or a **qualification** on compliance with State laws and regulations (material noncompliance).

Category 2: Findings that are significant deficiencies in internal control and noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

Category 3: Findings that have no internal control issues but are in noncompliance with State laws and regulations.

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION For the Two Years Ended June 30, 2019

EXPENDITURE STATISTICS		2019		2018		2017	
Total Expenditures	\$	1,156,781	\$	1,104,761	\$	1,175,343	
OPERATIONS TOTAL	\$	1,156,781 100.0%	\$	1,104,761 100.0%	\$	1,175,343 100.0%	
Total Receipts	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	
Average Number of Employees		11		9		15	

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

During Examination Period: Honorable Evelyn Sanguinetti (through 1/13/19); Honorable Juliana Stratton (effective 1/14/19) Currently: Honorable Juliana Stratton

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Failure to Maintain Proper Controls over Personal Services Functions

The Office of the Lieutenant Governor (Office) failed to maintain proper controls over personal services functions. Specifically, the Office did not properly complete Employment Eligibility Verification forms (Form I-9) and employee timesheets. Additionally, the Office failed to maintain adequate personnel records, including a hiring agreement for a contractual employee, authorizations for payroll deductions, documentation for accrued balances, and approvals for time off. Moreover, the Office failed to have its employees complete the required ethics and sexual harassment trainings. Finally, the Office did not include accurate information on its Agency Workforce Report. (Finding 2019-001, pages 9-13)

We recommended the Office maintain complete and accurate personnel files, including completed Form I-9s, hiring agreements, authorization for payroll deductions, and employee timesheets. We also recommended the Office maintains adequate documentation of employees' accrued balances and proper approvals for time taken by employees. Furthermore, we recommended the Office's employees timely complete required ethics and sexual harassment trainings and that the Office file accurate Agency Workforce Reports and corrected reports as needed.

The Office agreed to the finding in part and accepted the recommendations. The Office agreed in part because some issues were due to the transition in the administration.

OTHER FINDING

The other finding pertained to failing to enter into an intergovernmental agreement. We will review the Office's progress towards the implementation of our recommendations in our next compliance examination

ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION

The accountants conducted a compliance examination of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor (Office) for the two years ended June 30, 2019, as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. The Accountants qualified their report on State Compliance for Finding 2019-001. Except for the noncompliance described in this findings, the accountants stated the Office complied, in all material respects, with the requirements described in the report.

The Office failed to maintain adequate documentation

Office employees failed to complete the required ethics and sexual harassment training

The Office accepted the recommendations

This compliance examination was conducted by West & Company, LLC

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JANE CLARK Division Director

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