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Auditor of State Mary Mosiman today released a report on the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board for the year ended June 30, 2015.

The Board is charged with promoting the public's trust and confidence in government by ensuring integrity of political campaigns, the ethical standards for officials and employees of the executive branch of State government and lawful conduct of executive branch lobbyists.

Mosiman recommended the Board review its policies and procedures over targeted small business procurement levels to ensure compliance with Code of Iowa requirements. The Board's response to the recommendation is included in the report.

A copy of the report is available for review in the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's website at <https://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/1660-1400-OR00>.

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**REPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE  
IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD**

**JUNE 30, 2015**

**Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board**



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To the Members of the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board:

The Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board is a part of the State of Iowa and, as such, has been included in our audits of the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and the State's Single Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2015.

In conducting our audits, we became aware of an aspect concerning the Board's operations for which we believe corrective action is necessary. As a result, we have developed a recommendation which is reported on the following page. We believe you should be aware of this recommendation, which pertains to the Board's compliance with statutory requirements and other matters. The recommendation has been discussed with Board personnel and their response to this recommendation is included in this report. While we have expressed our conclusion on the Board's response, we did not audit the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials and employees of the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board, citizens of the State of Iowa and other parties to whom the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board may report. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board during the course of our audits. Should you have questions concerning the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience. Individuals who participated in our audits of the Board are listed on page 5 and they are available to discuss these matters with you.

*Mary Mosiman*  
MARY MOSIMAN, CPA  
Auditor of State

cc: Honorable Terry E. Branstad, Governor  
David Roederer, Director, Department of Management  
Glen P. Dickinson, Director, Legislative Services Agency

June 30, 2015

**Findings Reported in the State's Single Audit Report:**

No matters were noted.

**Findings Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:**

No matters were noted.

**Other Findings Related to Internal Control:**

No matters were noted.

**Finding Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:**

Iowa Code Compliance – Chapter 73.16 of the Code of Iowa requires the Director of each state agency or department of state government (state agency) having purchasing authority, in cooperation with the Targeted Small Business (TSB) Marketing and Compliance Manager of the Iowa Economic Development Authority (IEDA), to establish a procurement goal for certified targeted small businesses each fiscal year. The procurement goal shall include the procurement of goods and services, including construction, but excluding utility services. The goal shall be stated in terms of a dollar amount and at a level exceeding the procurement levels from certified targeted small businesses during the previous fiscal year.

The TSB procurement goal for the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board for fiscal year 2015 was not set at a level exceeding the fiscal year 2014 actual TSB spending.

Recommendation – The Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board should establish a dollar amount procurement level exceeding the previous fiscal year certified targeted small business procurement level as required.

Response – The Board will work to ensure that the targeted small business procurement goal is set higher than actual TSB spending in previous fiscal year.

Conclusion – Response accepted.

Report of Recommendations to the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board

June 30, 2015

**Staff:**

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