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The Office of Auditor of State today released an audit report on the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission.

The Commission's receipts totaled \$1,219,448 for the year ended June 30, 2002, and included \$896,615 in detention care fees, \$184,211 from the state and \$46,544 in interest on investments. The Commission had total receipts of \$1,095,841 for the year ended June 30, 2001, and included \$751,200 in detention care fees, \$183,477 from the state and \$64,512 in interest on investments.

Disbursements totaled \$1,207,758 for the year ended June 30, 2002, which included \$726,461 for salaries, \$209,479 for employee benefits and \$53,589 for resident food and clothing. Disbursements totaled \$1,108,752 for the year ended June 30, 2001, which included \$661,574 for salaries, \$184,305 for employee benefits and \$42,405 for resident food and clothing.

A copy of the audit report is available for review in the office of the Auditor of State and the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission's office.

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NORTH IOWA JUVENILE DETENTION SERVICES COMMISSION

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULE OF FINGINGS

JUNE 30, 2002 AND 2001

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Officials

Name	<u>Title</u>	Representing
Arlin Enabnit	Chair	Floyd County
Dave Hageman	Vice Chair	Winneshiek County
Leon Mosley	Treasurer/Secretary	Black Hawk County
Kathy Campbell Ron Buch Steven Reuter Ralph Kremer Larry Backer Robert Amosson Sherry Mattke Robert Walke G.Eldon Koeneke Donna Smith John Bunn Daryl Kothenbeuter	Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member Member	Allamakee County Benton County Bremer County Buchanan County Butler County Cerro Gordo County Chickasaw County Clayton County Delaware County Dubuque County Fayette County Franklin County
Elmer Willms Mary Jo Wilhelm Ron Goeke Darrell Bang Rod Toftey Steve Smith Thomas Horvath Jane Hartman Neal Wedeking Lt.Timothy Pillack	Member Member Member Member Member-at-large Member-at-large Member-at-large Member-at-large	Grundy County Howard County Marshall County Worth County Wright County

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission:

We have audited the accompanying statement of cash transactions of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission as of and for the years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Commission's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards and provisions require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in note 1, this financial statement is prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the aforementioned statement of cash transactions presents fairly, in all material respects, the results of the cash transactions of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission for the years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001, on the basis of accounting described in note 1.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated March 6, 2003 on our consideration of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations and contracts. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

March 6, 2003

Financial Statement

Statement of Cash Transactions

Years ended June 30, 2002 and 2001

	 2002	2001
Receipts:		
Detention care fees	\$ 896,615	751,200
Membership fees	14,190	-
Telephone support	24,228	24,986
State programs	184,211	183,477
Interest on investments	46,544	64,512
Transportation service fees	35,704	24,706
Insurance reimbursement	-	30,741
Miscellaneous	17,956	16,219
Total receipts	 1,219,448	1,095,841
Disbursements:		
Salaries	726,461	661,574
Payroll taxes and IPERS	97,346	88,651
Health and life insurance	112,133	95,654
Audit fees	2,094	2,154
Supplies	18,871	31,400
Equipment	10,610	11,296
Telephone	5,203	6,304
Resident health	2,987	3,197
Travel	9,977	8,929
Food and clothing	53,589	42,405
Repair and maintenance	14,904	5,365
Building and remodeling	2,987	8,372
Utilities	17,198	20,374
Insurance	33,016	26,616
Unemployment tax	489	20,010 468
Transportation	16,530	12,280
Miscellaneous	6,390	6,223
Loan repayment:	0,000	0,220
Principal	48,826	46,948
Interest	48,820 28,147	30,542
Total disbursements	 1,207,758	1,108,752
Excess (deficiency) of receipts over	 1,207,730	1,100,752
(under) disbursements	11,690	(12,911)
	11,030	(12,311)
Balance beginning of year	 800,954	813,865
Balance end of year	\$ 812,644	800,954

See notes to financial statement.

Notes to Financial Statement

June 30, 2001 and 2000

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

From its inception in 1986 until July 1987, the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission was under the direction of the Juvenile Detention Project Advisory Committee. In July 1987, the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission was established. This Commission is a voluntary joint undertaking of the Boards of Supervisors of the counties of Allamakee, Black Hawk, Benton, Bremer, Buchanan, Butler, Cerro Gordo, Chickasaw, Clayton, Delaware, Dubuque, Fayette, Floyd, Franklin, Grundy, Howard, Marshall, Winneshiek, Worth and Wright, Iowa as authorized in Chapter 28E of the Code of Iowa. The primary purpose of this detention facility is to provide a physically secure, emotionally stable, and safe environment in which juveniles can await court disposition.

A. <u>Reporting Entity</u>

For financial reporting purposes, the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The Commission has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the Commission are such that exclusion would cause the Commission's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the Commission to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the Commission. The North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

B. Basis of Accounting

The North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission maintains its financial records on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements and the financial statement is prepared on that basis. The cash basis of accounting does not give effect to accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued items. Accordingly, the financial statement does not present the financial position or results of operations of the Commission in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

(2) Cash and Investments

The Commission's deposits in banks at June 30, 2002 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the members of the pool to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The Commission is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Commission; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The Commission had no investments meeting the disclosure requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement Number 3.

(3) Note Payable

On August 24, 1995, the Commission entered into an \$800,000 loan agreement with Black Hawk County to pay the costs of an addition to the facility. The loan is evidenced by a revenue capital loan note requiring annual principal payments and semi-annual interest payments. Details of the capital loan note at June 30, 2002 are as follows:

	Interest			
Date	Rates	Principal	Interest	Total
Dec 1, 2002	5.125%	\$-	12,829	12,829
Jun 1, 2003	5.125	50,704	12,829	63,533
Dec 1, 2003	5.125	-	11,529	11,529
Jun 1, 2004	5.125	54,460	11,529	65,989
Dec 1, 2004	5.125	-	10,134	10,134
Jun 1, 2005	5.125	56,338	10,134	66,472
Dec 1, 2005	5.125	-	8,690	8,690
Jun 1, 2006	5.125	60,094	8,690	68,784
Dec 1, 2006	5.125	-	7,150	7,150
Jun 1, 2007	5.125	63,850	7,150	71,000
Dec 1, 2007	5.125	-	5,514	5,514
Jun 1, 2008	5.125	67,606	5,514	73,120
Dec 1, 2008	5.125	-	3,781	3,781
Jun 1, 2009	5.125	71,362	3,782	75,144
Dec 1, 2009	5.200	-	1,953	1,953
Jun 1, 2010	5.200	75,117	1,953	77,070
Total		\$ 499,531	123,161	622,692

During the year ended June 30, 2002, principal of \$48,826 and interest of \$28,147 were paid.

(4) **Pension and Retirement Benefits**

The Commission contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual covered salary and the Commission is required to contribute 5.75% of annual covered payroll. Contribution requirements are established by state statute. The Commission's contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2002, 2001 and 2000 were \$41,772, \$38,041, and \$39,486, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

(5) Risk Management

The North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The Commission assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.



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Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance and on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

To the Members of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission

We have audited the financial statement of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission for the year ended June 30, 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated March 6, 2003. Our report expressed an unqualified opinion on the financial statement, which was prepared in conformity with an other comprehensive basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, Chapter 11 of the Code of Iowa, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission's financial statement is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>. However, we noted an immaterial instance of non-compliance that is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the Commission's operations for the year ended June 30, 2002 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statement of the Commission. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statement and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statement being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. The prior year reportable condition has been resolved. This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and customers of the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission and other parties to whom the Commission 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 North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

> WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

March 6, 2003

Schedule of Findings

June 30, 2002

Findings Related to the Financial Statement:

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:

No material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting were identified.

Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- (1) <u>Official Depositories</u> A resolution naming official depositories has been approved by the Commission. The maximum deposit amounts stated in the resolution were not exceeded during the year ended June 30, 2002.
- (2) <u>Questionable Disbursements</u> No disbursements that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979 were noted.
- (3) <u>Travel Expense</u> No disbursements of Commission money for travel expenses of spouses of Commission officials or employees were noted.
- (4) <u>Commission Minutes</u> No transactions were found that we believe should have been approved in the Commission minutes but were not.
- (5) <u>Deposits and Investments</u> No instances of non-compliance with the deposit and pooled investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the Commission's investment policy were noted.
- (6) <u>Electronic Check Retention</u> Chapter 554D.114 of the Code of Iowa allows the Commission to retain cancelled checks in an electronic format and requires retention in this manner to include an image of both the front and back of each cancelled check. The Commission retains cancelled checks through electronic image, but does not obtain an image of the back of each cancelled check as required.
 - <u>Recommendation</u> The Commission should obtain and retain an image of both the front and back of each cancelled check as required.
 - <u>Response</u> Contact was made with Union Planters Bank on 3-6-03 requesting that all cancelled checks be returned to the North Iowa Juvenile Detention Services Commission, rather than the miniaturized image of the front of all checks they now provide. This is a less expensive alternative to the additional cost the bank would charge for complying with the requirement to photocopy the back as well as the front of each check.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response accepted.

Staff

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