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Mary Mosiman, CPA Auditor of State

Auditor of State Mary Mosiman today released a report on the Iowa Department of Human Rights for the year ended June 30, 2014.

The Department's purpose is to promote opportunities, advocate the rights, improve the conditions of poverty and study the changing needs and problems of all Iowans.

Mosiman recommended the Department implement procedures to ensure contractual commitments are correctly reported in the Department's GAAP package.

A copy of the report is available for review in the Iowa Department of Human Rights, in the Office of Auditor of State and on the Auditor of State's web site at http://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/1560-3790-0R00.pdf.

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### REPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

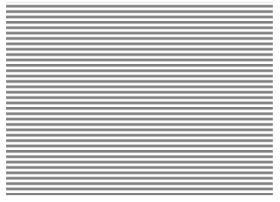
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To San Wong, Director of the Iowa Department of Human Rights:

The Iowa Department of Human Rights 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, 2014.

In conducting our audits, we became aware of an aspect concerning the Department'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 is included in the State's Report on Internal Control. This recommendation has been discussed with Department personnel and their response to the recommendation is included in this report. While we have expressed our conclusion on the Department's response, we did not audit the Iowa Department of Human Rights' 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 Department of Human Rights, citizens of the State of Iowa and other parties to whom the Iowa Department of Human Rights 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 Department 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 Department are listed on page 5 and they are available to discuss these matters with you.

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MARY MOSIMAN, CPA Auditor of State

WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA Chief Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Honorable Terry E. Branstad, Governor David Roederer, Director, Department of Management Glen P. Dickinson, Director, Legislative Services Agency June 30, 2014

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

No matters were noted.

#### Finding Reported in the State's Report on Internal Control:

- <u>Financial Reporting</u> The Department records receipts and disbursements in the Integrated Information of Iowa (1/3) system throughout the year, including the accrual period. Activity not recorded in the 1/3 system is reported to the Iowa Department of Administrative Services – State Accounting Enterprise (DAS-SAE) in a GAAP package. The GAAP package is to be submitted to DAS-SAE by the first week of September each year. The Department's contractual commitments included in the GAAP package were overstated by \$16,905,474. This was properly adjusted for reporting purposes.
- <u>Recommendation</u> The Department should implement procedures to ensure the information reported in the GAAP package is complete and accurate.
- <u>Response</u> The Department has updated its procedures to include instructions which clarify which items are to be included in the calculation of contractual commitments.

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

#### Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

No matters were noted.

#### Findings Related to Statutory Requirements and Other Matters:

No matters were noted.

June 30, 2014

#### <u>Staff</u>:

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