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#### **NEWS RELEASE**

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Auditor of State Rob Sand today released a report on the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer for the year ended June 30, 2018.

The Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer was created for the purpose of leading, directing, managing, coordinating and providing accountability for the information technology resources of state government. The mission of the Office is to provide high-quality, customer-focused information technology services and business solutions to government and to citizens.

#### **AUDIT FINDINGS:**

Sand reported two findings related to the Office. The findings are on pages 3 and 4 of this report. Sand recommended the Office implement procedures to comply with certain statutory requirements including setting targeted small business goals in accordance with the Code of Iowa.

Management of the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer has a fiduciary responsibility to provide oversight of the Office's operations and financial transactions. Oversight is typically defined as the "watchful and responsible care" management exercises in its fiduciary capacity.

A copy of the report is available for review on the Auditor of State's web site at <a href="https://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/audit-reports/">https://auditor.iowa.gov/reports/audit-reports/</a>.

# REPORT OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE IOWA OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

**JUNE 30, 2018** 





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December 1, 2020

Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer Des Moines, Iowa

To Annette Dunn, Chief Information Officer:

I am pleased to submit to you this Report of Recommendations for the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer for the year ended June 30, 2018. The report includes a finding pertaining to the Office's internal control which resulted from the fiscal year 2018 audit.

I appreciate the cooperation and courtesy extended by the officials and employees of the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer throughout the audit. If I or this office can be of any further assistance, please contact me or my staff at 515-281-5834.

Sincerely,

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To Annette Dunn, Chief Information Officer of the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer:

The Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer 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, 2018.

In conducting our audits, we became aware of aspects concerning the Office's operations for which we believe corrective action is necessary. As a result, we have developed recommendations which are reported on the following pages. We believe you should be aware of these recommendations, which pertain to the Office's statutory requirements and other matters. These recommendations have been discussed with Office personnel and their responses to these recommendations are included in this report. While we have expressed our conclusion on the Office's responses, we did not audit the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials and employees of the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer, citizens of the State of Iowa and other parties to whom the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer 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 Office during the course of our audits. Should you have questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience. Individuals who participated in our audits of the Office are listed on page 5 and they are available to discuss these matters with you.

Marlys K. Gaston, CPA Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Honorable Kim Reynolds, Governor
David Roederer, Director, Department of Management
Glen P. Dickinson, Director, Legislative Services Agency

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June 30, 2018

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

No matters were reported.

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

No matters were reported.

#### Other Findings Related to Internal Control:

No matters were reported.

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

#### 1) Targeted Small Business Procurement Goals

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 business 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 Office of the Chief Information Officer for fiscal year 2018 was not set at a level exceeding the fiscal year 2017 actual TSB spending.

<u>Recommendation</u> – The Office should establish a procurement goal exceeding the previous fiscal year certified targeted small business procurement level as required or seek legislation to change this statutory requirement.

<u>Response</u> – The Office of Chief Information Officer will work to establish a targeted small business procurement goal that complies with Chapter 73.16 of the Code of Iowa.

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

#### 2) Iowa Code Compliance

The Office was not in compliance with the following provisions of the Code of Iowa during the year ended June 30, 2018:

- (a) Chapter 8B.6 of the Code of Iowa states the Office shall report annually to the general assembly on or before September 1 the donations, grants, gifts, and contributions with a monetary value of \$1,000 or more that were received during the most recently concluded year. The Office submitted the fiscal year 2018 report on February 14, 2019.
- (b) Chapter 8B.33 of the Code of Iowa states the Office shall report annually to the general assembly and the legislative services agency no later than January 31 the activities funded by and expenditures made from the revolving fund during the preceding year. The Office submitted the fiscal year 2018 IOWAccess Report on February 14, 2019.

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 $\underline{Recommendation}$  – The Office should ensure that reports are submitted timely as required by Chapter 8B of the Code of Iowa.

<u>Response</u> – We concur that the Donations, Grants, Gifts and Contributions Report and the IOWAccess Report for fiscal year 2018 were not filed timely.

<u>Conclusion</u> – Response acknowledged. The Office should ensure that reports are submitted timely as required by Chapter 8B of the Code of Iowa.

# Report of Recommendations to the Iowa Office of the Chief Information Officer

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## Staff:

Questions or requests for further assistance should be directed to:

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