

# STATE OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

# SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

# **OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER – FISCAL OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES**

## Financial Audit

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

Release Date: December 29, 2021

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS						
	New	Repeat	<u>Total</u>	<b>Repeated Since</b>	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3			
Category 1:	0	0	0	2009			21-1			
Category 2:	0	0	0							
Category 3:	_0	_1	0							
TOTAL	0	1	0							
FINDINGS I	FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 1									

## **INTRODUCTION**

This digest covers the Office of Comptroller's Fiscal Officer's Financial Audit as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021. The Office of Comptroller Fiscal Officer's Compliance Examination as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021 will be issued in a separate report at a later date.

### **SYNOPSIS**

• (21-1) The Office of Comptroller did not ensure all statutorily mandated transfers between State funds were made within established timeframes, as required.

**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 STATE COMPTROLLER - STATE OF ILLINOIS

FISCAL OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

FINANCIAL AUDIT

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

	Fiscal Year 2021				Fiscal Year 2020				
FUND BALANCE		Budgetary						Budgetary	
(Amounts in Thousands)	C	ash Balance		Balances*	C	ash Balance		Balances*	
Appropriated Funds									
General Funds	\$	974,912	\$	(2,803,540)	\$	531,393	\$	(5,751,487)	
Highway Funds		2,567,556		2,381,559		1,271,779		1,111,595	
Special State Funds		4,698,638		3,102,587		3,288,975		1,340,177	
Bond Financed Funds		1,684,090		1,681,708		1,642,032		1,569,507	
Debt Service Funds		1,892,763		2,054,182		1,441,692		2,041,427	
Federal Trust Funds		945,229		(307,896)		3,188,386		2,319,467	
Revolving Funds		115,938		(25,162)		40,362		14,952	
State Trust Funds		534,304		274,300		880,118		583,410	
Sub-Total	\$	13,413,430	\$	6,357,738	\$	12,284,737	\$	3,229,048	
Non-Appropriated Funds									
Federal Trust Funds	\$	579	\$	500	\$	653	\$	442	
State Trust Funds		2,912,474		2,952,147		2,463,949		2,711,242	
Sub-Total	\$	2,913,053	\$	2,952,647	\$	2,464,602	\$	2,711,684	
GRAND TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	\$	16,326,483	\$	9,310,385	\$	14,749,339	\$	5,940,732	
* Budgetary Balances represent balances remaining	after re	eduction of Cash Bal	lances at	June 30 by lapse per	iod tra	nsactions.			
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (Amounts	in Th	ousands)				FY 2021		FY 2020	
Total Revenues - All Funds	\$	207,214,530	\$	179,057,506					
Total Expenditures - All Funds		203,844,877		176,405,102					
Net Change in Budgetary Fund Balance - A	\$	3,369,653	\$	2,652,404					
STATE COMPTROLLER									
During Engagement Period: Honorable Susana Mendoza									
Currently: Honorable Susana Mendoza									

#### FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

# LATE PAYMENT OF STATUTORILY MANDATED TRANSFERS

The Office of Comptroller (Office) did not ensure all statutorily mandated transfers between State funds were made within established timeframes, as required.

The Office processed transfers from 31 to 398 days after the mandated transfer date. The late transfers outstanding as of and paid after June 30, 2021 totaled \$1.07 billion. The Office also made 127 late transfers, totaling \$2.00 billion, between State funds that were made between one and 30 days after the statutorily mandated transfer date. Lastly, we noted 420 late transfers, totaling \$2.311 billion, which were still outstanding as of October 19, 2021, relating to fiscal year 2020, fiscal year 2019, fiscal year 2018, and fiscal year 2017. (Finding 1, pages 55-56) **This finding was first reported in 2009.** 

We recommended the Office make transfers within timeframes established by applicable statute. While we realize that the lack of available funds in the State Treasury requires prioritization and cash management decisions, we recommended the Office continue in its efforts to make transfers in as timely a manner as possible.

Office officials accepted the recommendation and stated the Office will make efforts to transfer funds more timely; however, daily management of cash flow for timely payments to vendors will also factor into the effort.

#### **AUDITOR'S OPINION**

The auditors stated the fund balances at June 30, 2021, and the revenues and expenditures for the year then ended relating to the State of Illinois, Office of the Comptroller - Fiscal Officer Responsibilities' Traditional Budgetary Financial Report, are fairly presented in all material respects. The auditors noted the financial statements have been prepared on a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The budgetary basis deficit of the General Funds decreased by \$2.947 billion during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. At June 30, 2020, the budgetary basis fund balance of the General Funds was a deficit of \$2.804 billion.

Late payments made for inter-fund transfers totaling \$2 billion were made after June 30, 2021

Office accepts the recommendation

This financial audit was conducted by Sikich LLP.

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JANE CLARK Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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FRANK J. MAUTINO Auditor General

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