

STATE OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMISSION

State Compliance Examination

Release Date: May 29, 2025

For the Two Years Ended June 30, 2023

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 2				AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS				
	New	<u>Repeat</u>	Total	Repeated Since	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	
Category 1:	0	0	0					
Category 2:	2	0	2					
Category 3:	0	0	0		No Repeat Findings			
TOTAL	2	0	2					
FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 0								

INTRODUCTION

The Legislative Audit Commission's (Commission) primary duty is to review reports received from the Auditor General and take action thereon and make recommendations to the General Assembly. The Commission also determines what remedial measures, if any, are needed; determines whether special studies and investigations are needed; and, if deemed necessary, directs the Auditor General to undertake such studies or investigations.

SYNOPSIS

• (23-2) The Legislative Audit Commission did not exercise adequate controls over employee travel.

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 material definition 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.

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

INADEQUATE CONTROLS OVER TRAVEL

The Legislative Audit Commission (Commission) did not exercise adequate controls over employee travel.

During the testing of six travel vouchers, we noted the following:

- One (17%) travel voucher tested, totaling \$1,567, did not include the approval date. As a result, we were unable to determine if the voucher was approved in a timely manner.
- For one (17%) travel voucher tested, we noted the lodging rate was in excess of the allowable amount by \$172. The Commission was unable to provide documentation showing the excess was pre-approved.
- For one (17%) voucher tested, we noted a taxi cab reimbursement for \$25 for a ride totaling less than two miles. While reviewing the supporting documentation, we noted a charge, totaling \$22, labeled as "extra" on the taxi receipt. When we inquired the reason for the charge, the Commission was unable to provide an explanation. (Finding 2, Pages 9-10)

We recommended the Commission strengthen controls and ensure travel vouchers are timely and properly approved for acceptable charges.

The Commission accepted the recommendation and stated it will ensure future travel vouchers are reviewed and approved timely and submitted correctly.

OTHER FINDING

The remaining finding pertained to inadequate controls over receipts and reconciliations. We will review the Commission's progress towards the implementation of our recommendations in our next State compliance examination.

ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION

The accountants conducted a State compliance examination of the Commission for the two years ended June 30, 2023, as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. The accountants stated the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the requirements described in the report.

Approval date not included

Lodging rate was in excess of allowable amount

Reimbursement was not supported

Commission accepted recommendation

This State compliance examination was conducted by the Office of the Auditor General's staff.

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COURTNEY DZIERWA Division Director

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