



STATE OF ILLINOIS
**OFFICE OF THE
AUDITOR GENERAL**

William G. Holland, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

SEX OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION
For the Two Years Ended: June 30, 2010

Release Date: May 26, 2011

Summary of Findings:

Total this audit:	3
Total last audit:	2
Repeated from last audit:	2

INTRODUCTION

The Sex Offender Management Board (Board) was established by the Sex Offender Management Board Act on July 22, 1997 to standardize the evaluation, identification, counseling, and continued monitoring of sex offenders at each stage of the criminal or juvenile justice systems or mental health systems.

SYNOPSIS

- The Board did not develop tracking and monitoring systems for sex offenders, nor did it establish a plan with timelines to develop those systems.
- The Board did not develop and implement measures of success based on a no-cure policy for intervention.

{Expenditures and Activity Measures are summarized on the reverse page.}

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EXPENDITURE STATISTICS	2010	2009	2008
Total Expenditures.....	\$ 21,178	\$ 13,350	\$ 14,946
OPERATIONS TOTAL.....	\$ 21,178	\$ 13,350	\$ 14,946
% of Total Expenditures.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Total Appropriation (net of transfer).....	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
Cost of Property and Equipment.....	\$ 3,522	\$ 3,522	\$ 3,522

AGENCY DIRECTOR	
During Examination Period:	Cara Smith
Currently:	Cara Smith

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND
RECOMMENDATIONS

FAILURE TO ESTABLISH OR PLAN FOR OFFENDER TRACKING SYSTEM

10,039 registered Illinois sex offenders were subject to tracking and monitoring

The Board did not develop systems for tracking sex offenders and monitoring their behaviors as required by the Sex Offender Management Board Act (Act). Further, the Board had not established a plan or any timelines for compliance with these requirements, which became effective January 1, 2004. As of June 30, 2010, there were 10,039 registered Illinois sex offenders subject to the tracking and monitoring requirement.

Management stated they have been unable to comply with the mandate, which they view as a long-term goal, due to no staff, and limited funding. (Finding 1, Pages 8-10)

We recommended the Board either develop a formal plan and timeline for compliance with tracking and monitoring provisions of the Act or seek statutory remedy pertaining to the legal requirement.

Board agrees with auditors

Board management agreed with the recommendation and noted the Act does not include a statutory deadline for the planning and development of an offender tracking system. Board management also stated current Illinois law makes it extremely difficult for the Board to develop an offender tracking system, and noted that statutory changes will be sought.

FAILURE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT MEASURES OF SUCCESS

Success measures were required to be implemented by the end of 2001

The Board did not develop and implement measures of success based upon a no-cure policy for intervention as required by the Sex Offender Management Board Act (Act). The Act required implementation by December 31, 2001.

Board management stated implementation has not been feasible due to lack of clarity of the Act, lack of funds and personnel. (Finding 2, Pages 11-12)

We recommended the Board either develop and prescribe measures of success based on a no-cure policy for intervention or seek statutory remedy to the legal requirement.

Board agrees with auditors

Board management agreed with the recommendation, cited impairments to developing success measures, and stated statutory changes will be sought.

OTHER FINDING

The other finding is reportedly being addressed by the Board. We will examine progress toward implementing our recommendations in our next compliance examination.

AUDITORS' OPINION

We conducted a compliance examination of the Board as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. We have not audited any financial statements of the Board for the purpose of expressing an opinion because the Board does not, nor is it required to, prepare financial statements.



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AUDITORS ASSIGNED

This examination was performed by staff of the Office of the Auditor General.