

Assurance Report

2202 Employer Agency Queries

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BACKGROUND

This was a planned engagement on the fiscal year end (FYE) 2022 Audit Plan. This report provides a progress update of the queries performed on employer agencies. The fieldwork for this engagement was completed on June 24, 2021.

Audit Services uses the available data for employer agencies, which consists of employee and leave information, for the purpose of developing and performing continuous auditing tests.

This project expands the coverage of Audit Services throughout the contributing agencies. Ongoing proactive reviews of these files are completed through Audit Command Language (ACL) scripts that are scheduled to run on a regular basis.

SCOPE, OBJECTIVES, AND METHODOLOGY

The scope of this engagement consists of the review of employer agencies.

The primary objectives of this engagement were to determine if:

- Eligible employees are enrolled properly in accordance with LASERS regulations.
- Rehired retirees are reported in accordance with LASERS regulations.
- Retiree leave balances certified by the agency are accurate.

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This engagement was conducted in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Audit Services Division.

ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

The results generated from testing have been evaluated by Audit Services and then submitted to either LASERS or agency personnel for verification and correction, as necessary. Some examples of the types of anomalies include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Membership:
 - Individuals that are not enrolled and/or do not start contributing to LASERS on the date of hire.
 - Membership related information not properly reported to LASERS.
 - Membership related information in LaGov HCM System does not match SOLARIS.
- Rehired Retiree:
 - Rehired retirees that are not properly reported to LASERS, which may result in excess earnings or benefit overpayments (depending on rehire option selected).
 - Rehired retiree related information in LaGov HCM System does not match SOLARIS.
- Incorrect retiree leave balances reported to LASERS, which can result in monthly benefit or lump sum leave payment errors.

Since these types of errors are typically found in a timelier manner than a traditional audit, the impact to LASERS and the individuals are mitigated. As noted in the engagement objectives, the focus is to ensure compliance with select statutory provisions. Additionally, non-compliance can result in a monetary recovery for LASERS. The realized recovery for this project was approximately \$2,000 as of the FYE. A total of 44 agency related issues were identified and the table below is a breakdown of the number and type of issues by agency. Furthermore, a total of 28 non-agency issues were identified which mostly related to data corrections.

| Agency Number and Name | Number of Membership Related Issues | Number of Rehire Retiree Related Issues | Number of Retiree Leave Related Issues | Total Number of Issues |
|--|--|---|--|------------------------------|
| 024 Louisiana Department of Revenue | | 1 | | 1 |
| 051 LDH Office of Public Health | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 053 Department of Corrections | 5 | 4 | | 9 |
| 064 Office of Juvenile Justice | | 2 | | 2 |
| 081 Grambling University | 1 | | | 1 |
| 094 LDH Office of the Secretary, Management, and Finance | 1 | | | 1 |
| 096 LDH Office of Behavioral Health | | | 1 | 1 |
| 097 LDH Office for Citizens with Disabilities | | | 1 | 1 |
| 115 Louisiana Special Education Center | | | 1 | 1 |

| | Number of Membership Related | Number of Rehire Retiree Related | Number of Retiree Leave Related | Total Number |
|--|------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|
| Agency Number and Name | Issues | Issues | Issues | of Issues |
| 175 Louisiana State Licensing Board of Contractors | 1 | | | 1 |
| 218 Baton Rouge Community College | 1 | | | 1 |
| 223 State Plumbing Board | | 3 | | 3 |
| 248 Orleans Parish Criminal District Court | 1 | | | 1 |
| 288 Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism | 2 | 2 | | 4 |
| 320 Department of Children and Family Services | | 1 | | 1 |
| 356 Louisiana Housing Corporation | 1 | | | 1 |
| 386 Northwest Louisiana Technical Community College | | | 1 | 1 |
| 501 Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry | | | 1 | 1 |
| 520 Louisiana State University | 1 | 3 | | 4 |
| 521 LSU Health Sciences Center - New Orleans | | | 1 | 1 |
| 522 University of New Orleans | | 1 | | 1 |
| 529 Department of Public Safety | | 1 | | 1 |
| 550 Department of Veterans Affairs | | 1 | | 1 |
| 910 Southeast LA Flood Protection Authority West | | 1 | | 1 |
| 950 Special School District | 2 | | | 2 |
| Total Number of Issues | 16 | 21 | 7 | 44 |

FOLLOW-UP

A follow-up to this engagement is not necessary. All unresolved items will be carried over as part of FYE 2023 testing.

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