

Findings in the audit of the Department of Public Safety- Missouri State Highway Patrol's Use of Highway Funds

Background	Missouri state law requires the Missouri State Auditor to examine whether State Highways and Transportation Fund appropriations to the Missouri State Highway Patrol are used in accordance with the Missouri Constitution, which limits the use of these funds to activities related to administering and enforcing state motor vehicle laws or traffic regulations.
Methodology	Audit staff reviewed policies and procedures, financial records, and other pertinent documents; interviewed agency personnel; and tested selected transactions. Auditors also reviewed highway patrol calculations of amounts spent for non-highway activities, and the amounts spent for highway-related activities from other funding sources.
Conclusions	The audit determined the Missouri State Highway Patrol complied with legal provisions related to the use of this funding for the 2016 fiscal year.

Because of the limited objective of this review, no overall rating is provided.

*The rating(s) cover only audited areas and do not reflect an opinion on the overall operation of the entity. Within that context, the rating scale indicates the following:

- **Excellent:** The audit results indicate this entity is very well managed. The report contains no findings. In addition, if applicable, prior recommendations have been implemented.
- **Good:** The audit results indicate this entity is well managed. The report contains few findings, and the entity has indicated most or all recommendations have already been, or will be, implemented. In addition, if applicable, many of the prior recommendations have been implemented.
- **Fair:** The audit results indicate this entity needs to improve operations in several areas. The report contains several findings, or one or more findings that require management's immediate attention, and/or the entity has indicated several recommendations will not be implemented. In addition, if applicable, several prior recommendations have not been implemented.
- **Poor:** The audit results indicate this entity needs to significantly improve operations. The report contains numerous findings that require management's immediate attention, and/or the entity has indicated most recommendations will not be implemented. In addition, if applicable, most prior recommendations have not been implemented.

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