

CITIZENS SUMMARY

Compilation of 2011 Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act Seizures

Compliance with Submitting
Required Reports

Missouri's Criminal Activity Forfeiture Act (CAFA) requires prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General to submit an annual report to the State Auditor's office summarizing the disposition of all property, including cash, seized pursuant to state law.

The State Auditor did not receive six of the 116 required CAFA reports. Fifteen of the 110 reports received were submitted late. Prosecuting attorneys from the following counties failed to submit required reports: Barton, Daviess, Gentry, Ray, St. Clair and Sullivan. As noted in last year's report (2011-008), the Gentry County Prosecuting Attorney also failed to file a 2010 CAFA report. Section 513.607.10, RSMo, states intentional or knowing failure to comply with any reporting requirement shall be a class A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000.

Disposition of Seizures Reported

Of the \$6,683,059 reported seized in 2011, the disposition was reported as follows: \$4,707,994 transferred to a federal agency, \$1,410,410 pending, \$391,258 returned, \$158,589 transferred to the state, and \$14,808 "other."

Compliance with Reporting Required Information

Section 513.607.8, RSMo, requires prosecuting attorneys and the Attorney General to report specific seizure information. Some reports lacked required information such as: the time of the seizure, the estimated value of the property seized, any criminal charges filed, and the disposition of any criminal actions.

Because of the nature of this compilation, no overall rating is provided.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Federal Stimulus) Not applicable.