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LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS STATE OF LOUISIANA

GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners Department of Health and Hospitals State of Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Louisiana Governmental Auditing Guide. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners as of December 31, 1999, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued a report dated June 23, 2000 on our consideration of Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners internal control structure and its compliance with laws and regulations.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The "schedule" listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

McRight & Associates

June 23, 2000

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUNDS TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS DECEMBER 31, 1999

(With Comparative Totals for December 31, 1998)

	Governmental	Fund Types
ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS ASSETS	General <u>Fund</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>
Cash Investments Accounts receivable NSF Checks and foreign items Accrued interest Prepaid expenses Property, plant & Equipment, at	3,881,331 190,731 1,467 121,870 24,753	\$ 161,269 365,704 76,170 700 5,045
Due From Special Revenue Fund Other Assets OTHER DEBITS Amount to be provided for compensated absences	26,689 11,000	100
Total assets and other debits	4,619,298	608,988
LIABILITIES, FUND BALANCE AND OTHER LIABILITIES	R CREDITS	
Accounts payable Due to other funds Payroll taxes payable Wages payable	\$ 55,156 100 2,672	\$ 8,326 26,689
Deferred revenue Compensated absences	1,583,692 19,718	238,775 619
Total Liabilities FUND BALANCE & OTHER CREDITS Investment in general fixed asset Fund Balance:	1,661,338	274,409
Unreserved & Undesignated Total liabilities, fund	2,957,960	334,579
balance & other credits	4,619,298	608,988

See Notes to Financial Statements

Account Groups		Total (Memorandu		
General Fund Fixed <u>Assets</u>	General Revenue Fixed <u>Assets</u>	General Long-term <u>Debt</u>	<u>1999</u>	1998
\$	\$	\$	4,247,035 266,901 2,167	\$ 740,464 2,973,336 64,962
2,239,600	31,677		126,915 24,753 2,271,277 26,789 11,000	1,599 2,156,905 10,863 71,908
2,239,600	 31,677 ======	29,766 29,766 ======	29,766 7,529,329 =======	29,847 6,049,884 =======
			63,482 26,789 2,672	80,292 10,863 1,916
		29,766 29,766	1,822,467 50,103 1,965,513	645,734 50,782 789,587
2,239,600	31,677		2,271,277	2,156,905
			3,292,539	3,103,392
2,239,600	31,677 =====	29,766	7,529,329	6,049,884

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES FUND BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES DECEMBER 31, 1999

(With Comparative Totals for December 31, 1998)

	<u>General</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>
Revenues:	¢2 740 921	¢ 250 571
Licenses and permits Miscellaneous -	\$2,740,921	\$ 259,571
Interest earned Other	232,676	16,085 1,765
Total revenues	3,018,146	277,421
Expenditures:		
Public Safety - Personal services	1,086,387	80,414
Operating services	1,545,985	188,604
Materials and supplies	45,473	667
Travel and meetings	36,726 110,032	6,846 5,285
Capital outlay		
Total expenditures	2,824,603	281,816
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	193,543	(4,395)
Fund Balance - beginning	2,764,417	338,974
Fund Balance, ending	2,957,960	334,579
		======

See Notes to Financial Statements

(Memorandum Only)

1999	1998
\$3,000,492	\$2,972,321
248,761 46,314 	201,771 155,967
3,295,567	3,330,059
1,166,801 1,734,589 46,140 43,572 115,317 	978,372 1,716,741 80,183 43,046 75,426
189,148	436,291
3,103,391 3,292,539	2,667,100 3,103,391

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES FUND BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL -ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES DECEMBER 31, 1999

General Fund

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Licenses and permits Miscellaneous -	\$2,845,170	\$2,740,921	(\$ 104,249)
Interest earned	132,350	232,676	100,326
Other	52,907	44,549	•
Total revenues	3 020 427	2 020 246	· · · · · · · · · · · ·
TOCAL LOVERIAGE	3,030,427	3,018,146	(12,281)
Expenditures: Public Safety - Personal services Operating services Materials and supplies Travel and meetings Capital outlay	1,124,933 1,490,427 47,899 32,359 108,360	1,086,387 1,545,985 45,473 36,726 110,032	(55,558) 2,426
Total expenditures	2,803,978	2,824,603	(20,625)
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	226,449	193,543	(32,906)
Fund Balance - beginning	2,764,417	2,764,417	-0-
Fund Balance, ending	2,990,866	2,957,960	(32,906) =======

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES FUND BALANCES -BUDGET AND ACTUAL -ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES DECEMBER 31, 1999

Special Revenue Fund

	Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues:			
Licenses and permits Miscellaneous -	\$ 258,750	\$ 259,571	\$ 821
Interest earned Other	18,074 2,570	16,085 1,765	
Total revenues	279,394	277,421	(1,973)
Expenditures: Public Safety -			
Personal services Operating services	90,906 181,839	80,414	
Materials and supplies	1,667	188,604 667	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Travel and meetings	200	6,846	
Capital outlay	5,883	5,285	, ,
Total expenditures	280,495	281,816	(1,321)
Excess of revenues over			
(under) expenditures	(1,101)	(4,395) (3,294)
Fund Balance - beginning	338,974	338,974	- 0 -
Fund Balance, ending	227 072	224 570	(2 204)
rand barance, ending	337,873	334,579	(3,294) ======

See Notes to Financial Statements

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LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

INTRODUCTION:

The Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the Board) is a component unit of the State of Louisiana created within the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, as provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 37:1261-1292. The Board is composed of seven members, appointed by the Governor. The members serve terms of six years. The Board is charged with the responsibility of administering practice acts providing for the licensure of Doctors of Medicine, Doctors of Osteopathy, Doctors of Podiatry, Physician Assistants, Occupational Therapists, Occupational Therapy Assistants, Respiratory Therapists, Respiratory Therapy technicians, Midwives, Athletic Trainers, Radiological Technologists, Emergency Medical Technicians (Intermediate and Paramedic) and Clinical Laboratory Technicians. Operations of the Board are funded entirely through self-generated revenues.

A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Basis of Presentation

In April of 1984, the Financial Accounting Foundation established the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) to promulgate generally accepted accounting principles an reporting standards with respect to activities and transactions of state and local governmental entities. In June of 1987, the GASB issued a revised codification of governmental accounting and financial reporting standards. The codification and subsequent GASB pronouncements are recognized as generally accepted accounting principles for state and local government.

2. Reporting Entity

GASB Codification Section 2100 establishes criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and has defined the governmental reporting entity for the board to be the State of Louisiana because the state exercises oversight responsibility in that the governor appoints the board members and public service is rendered within the state's boundaries. The accompanying statements present only transactions of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, and therefore, are a part of the fund and account group structure of the State of Louisiana. Annually the State of Louisiana issues general-purpose financial statements, which are audited by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

3. Fund Accounting

The board uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions relating to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with self-balancing set of accounts. An account group is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the fund because they do not directly affect net expendable financial resources. The funds presented in the financial statements are described as follows:

General Fund:

The General Fund is classified as a governmental fund. The General Fund is the operating fund or the board and accounts for financial resources. Revenues are accounted for in this fund based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. General operating expenditures are paid from this fund.

Special Revenue Fund

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

The Clinical Laboratory Personnel Fund was authorized by the Louisiana Legislature in 1993 (R.S. 36:259DD and 919.2, R.S. 37:1270(A)(5) and Part II of Chapter 15 of title 37 of the LA. R.S. of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 37:1311 - 1329 inclusive.

This fund is to account for the receipts and subsequent expenditure of the fees assessed to individuals engaged in the practice of clinical laboratory science in the State of Louisiana.

Account Groups

The two account groups are not "funds". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position, not with measurement of results of operations. Account groups are used to establish account control and accountability for general fixed assets and general long-term debt.

a. General Fixed Assets Account Group - Fixed assets used in the governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the

general fixed assets account group, rather than in the governmental fund.

b. General Long Term Debt Account Group - obligations such as compensated absences expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted for in the general long-term debt account not in the governmental fund.

4. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. The Board's records are maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting using the following practices:

Revenues:

Revenues are recognized when they become measurable. All revenues are susceptible to accrual. The Board has changed the renewal date from December 31, to the month of birth for the majority of licensee. Renewal fees for 1999 received in 1998 were deferred and were recognized as revenue in 1999. Fees received for years after 1999 that were received in 1999 are deferred to the year that they apply.

Expenditures:

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liabilities are incurred and the goods or services have been received.

5. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is not employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the General Fund and Special Revenue Funds. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balances since they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities.

6. Total Columns on Statements

The total column on the statements is captioned Memorandum Only to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation.

B. BUDGET PRACTICES

Budgets are prepared and adopted by the Board annually. The budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1999 was adopted at the Board meeting of November, 1998. The board adopts a budget annually for the General and Special Revenue Funds. The Board is a state Licensing agency subject to the Licensing Agency Budget Act established by Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1331 et al.

All funds budgeted are immediately available, as the Board's operations are financed with self-generated revenue. Therefore, the budget is known as a nonappropriated budget.

The Board normally does not use encumbrance accounting, so the budget was not integrated in the accounting records. In addition, the budget was employed by the Board as a management control device, by comparing budgeted expenditures with actual expenditures.

The budget is prepared on the GAAP basis, using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

The Board monitors the budget and makes changes when deemed appropriate.

The Board has complied with the budgetary requirements of LSA-RS 39:43.

C. DEPOSIT WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INVESTMENTS

1. DEPOSIT WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

For reporting purposes, deposits with financial institutions include savings, demand deposits, time deposits, and certificates of deposit. Under state law the board may deposit funds within a fiscal agency bank selected and designated by the Interim Emergency Board. Further, the board may invest in time certificates of deposits of state banks organized under the laws of Louisiana, national banks having their principal office in the state of Louisiana, in

savings accounts or shares of savings and loan associations and savings banks and in share accounts and in share certificate accounts of federally or state chartered credit unions.

Deposits in bank accounts are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank must secure these deposits. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These pledged securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank in the form of safekeeping receipts held by the State Treasurer. The deposits at December 31, 1999, were secured as follows:

DEPOSITS IN BANK ACCOUNTS

Dana a de du la culta a serio de c	CASH	CD'S	TOTAL
Deposit in bank accounts on balance sheet	\$522,726	\$4,247,035	\$4,769,761
Bank Balances: 1. Insured (FDIC) or collateralized with securities held by the entity or its agent in the entity's name 2. Collateralized with securities held by pledging financial institution's trust depart or agent in the entity's 3. Uncollaterlized, including securities held for the entity's	al rtment name ding	100,000	200,000
entity but not in the ent		4,147,035	4,769,761
Total Bank Balances	522,726		4,769,761
Banking Institution	Progr	am	Amount
1. Hibernia National Bank	Money	Market	\$ 522,726
2. Hibernia National Bank	CD'S		4,247,035

2. INVESTMENTS

The Board does not maintain investments accounts as authorized.

D. RECEIVABLES

At December 31, 1999, the board had net receivable balances, totaling \$395,975.

<u>Class of Receivable</u>	<u>General</u>	Special <u>Revenue</u>	<u>Total</u>
Assessments Accrued interest NSF Checks	\$190,731 121,870 <u>1,467</u>	\$76,170 5,045 <u>700</u>	\$266,901 126,915 <u>2,167</u>
Total Net Receivables	314,068	81,915	<u>395,983</u>

E. DUE FROM/DUE TO AND TRANSFERS

At December 31, 1999, there was a balance of \$26,689 that was due from the Special Revenue Fund to the General Fund.

B. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

Fixed assets used in the governmental fund type operations (general fixed assets) are accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group, rather than in government funds. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost.

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

GENERAL FUND

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,	Ending Balance 1998	Additions Deletions	Ending Balance 1999
Land & Building	\$982,679	67,011	982,679
Building Improve	585,389		652,400
Equipment: Office Furn & Equp Computers Vehicles	403,591	4,960	408,551
	159,259	36,711	195,970
Total.	2,130,918	1 <u>08,682</u>	<u>2,239,600</u>

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Fiscal Year Ending December 31,	Ending Balance 1998	Additions Deletions	Ending Balance 1999
Equipment: Office Furn & Equp	25,987	5,690	31,677
Total	25,987	<u>5,690</u>	31,677

G. INVENTORIES

Inventories are considered immaterial and are recorded at cost and recognized as an expenditure when purchased.

H. RESTRICTED ASSETS

The board does not have any restricted assets at December 31, 1999.

I. PAYABLES

At December 31, 1999, the board had payables totaling \$66,154 as follows:

CLASS OF PAYABLES	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	TOTAL
Accounts payable Taxes payable	\$55,156 2,672	\$8,326	\$63,482 2,672
Total Payables	<u>57,828</u>	<u>8,326</u>	66,154

J. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The employees of the Board are members of the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System ("System"), a multiple-employer, public employee retirement system (PERS). The System is a statewide public retirement system for the benefit of state employees, which is administered and controlled by a separate board of trustees.

The system issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the system. That report may be obtained by contacting the Louisiana State Employee Retirement System at P.O. Box 44213, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804 or by calling (504) 922-0600.

All full-time Board employees, who began state employment prior to age 60, are eligible to participate in the System. Benefits vest with 10 years of service. At retirement age, employees are entitled to annual benefits equal to 2.5 per cent of their highest consecutive 36 months average salary multiplied by their years of credited service plus \$300 for employees hired before July 31, 1986. Vested age 55 with 25 years of service, or (c) age 60 with 10 years of service. The system also provides death and disability benefits.

Covered employees were required to contribute 7.5% of gross salary to the plan. The Board added an additional 12% contribution for the year.

Contribution requirements to the System are set by Statue and differ form the contribution requirement determined using actuarial methods. Contributions to the retirement system for the years 1999, 1998 and 1997 were \$104,778, \$73,379 and \$68,900.

K. POSTRETIREMENT HEALTH CARE AND LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners provides certain continuing health care and life insurance benefits for its retired employees. Substantially all of the Board employes become eligible for those benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the Board. Those benefits for retirees and similar benefits for active employees are provided through an insurance company whose monthly premiums are paid jointly (50%) by the employee and by the Board. The Board's cost of providing retiree health care and life insurance benefits are recognized as expenditures when the monthly premiums are paid. For the year ended December 31, 1993, the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners provided retirement benefits for 1 retired employees and the costs of these retiree benefits totaled \$1,058.

L. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Accumulated annual leave is accrued in the accompanying financial statements. The Board's employees accumulate unlimited amounts of annual and sick leave at varying rates, as established by state regulations. Upon resignation or retirement, unused annual leave of up to 300 hours is paid to employees at the employee's current rate of pay. Upon retirement, annual leave in excess of 300 hours and unused sick leave is credited as earned service in computing retirement benefits. The current portion is recorded as a liability in the General Fund and represents the amount unpaid at December 31, 1999, which would normally be liquidated with expendable available financial resources.

Accumulated annual leave at December 31, 1999 \$ 29,766

M. <u>LEASES</u>

The Board does not record items under capital leases as an asset and obligation on the accompanying financial statement. At December 31, 1999, the Board did not have any operating leases.

N. GENERAL LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

Long-term obligations expected to be financed from governmental funds are accounted fro in the general long-term obligation account group, not in the governmental funds.

The following is a summary of the long-term obligation transactions for the year ended December 31, 1999.

Compensated Absences

Long-term obligations at December 31, 1998 \$29,847 Additions Deductions 81

Long term obligations at Decembe 31, 1999 \$29,766

O. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

There were no unasserted claims or assessments as of December 31, 1999.

P. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no related parties transactions.

Q. ACCOUNTING CHANGES

There were no accounting changes for the year ended December 31, 1999.

R. <u>FUND DEFICITS</u>

. None of the funds have a deficit balance.

S. ENCUMBRANCES

The Board does not use encumbrance accounting.

T. SUBSEQUENT

There were no subsequent events to be reported.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

SCHEDULE OF PER DIEM PAID BOARD MEMBERS

Number of Meetings Attended	Amount
12	\$ 600
1.2	600
35	1,750
13	650
12	600
19	950
34	1,700
137	\$6,850
	Meetings Attended 12 12 13 13 12 19 34

The schedule of diem paid board members is presented in compliance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 54 of the 1979 Session of the Louisiana Legislature. Board members are paid \$50 for each day they attend a board meeting, as authorized by Louisiana Revised Statute.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES BY OBJECT

EXPENDITURE	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUE	<u>l'otal</u>
Personal services	\$1,086,387	\$ 80,414	\$1,166,801
Travel	36,726	6,846	43,572
Operating services	395,705	139,164	534,869
Professional services	1,149,481	49,440	1,198,921
Materials & Supplies	45,473	667	46,140
Capital outlay	110,032	<u>5,285</u>	115,317
Total	2,823,804	281,816	3,105,620

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners, a component unit of the State of Louisiana, as of and for the year ended December 31, 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated June 23, 2000. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the

Compliance

He part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the general purpose financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be a material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the general purpose

financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weakness.

This report is intended for the information of the Board and Legislative Auditor's Office. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.

MC Restat ASSA Calle June 23, 2000 LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS
STATE OF LOUISIANA
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

There were no findings or questioned costs for the year ending December 31, 1999.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS
STATE OF LOUISIANA
MANAGEMENT'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

There were no findings or questioned costs for the year ending December 31, 1999.

LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOSPITALS STATE OF LOUISIANA SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

There were no prior years' findings.