

Interim Charge 5

Monitor the State Auditor's review of agencies and programs under the Committee's jurisdiction. The Chair shall seek input and periodic briefings on completed audits for the 2019 and 2020 fiscal years and bring forth pertinent issues for full committee consideration.

1. The Committee seeks information from the State Auditor's office pertaining to all audits performed (relevant to the Committee's jurisdiction) resulting in recommendations by the State Auditor's office.

Please see chart below.

2. The Committee seeks information regarding the status of the response to recommendations made by the State Auditor.

Fiscal Year	Audit / Institution	Recommendations	Status of Implementation of Recommendation
2019	State of Texas Federal Portion of the Statewide Single Audit Report for the Year Ended August 31, 2019 (report issued February 2020) / Lamar University	The audit report indicated Lamar University should: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Accurately report all status changes and effective dates to the National Student Loan Data System in a timely manner.▪ Develop and implement policies and procedures to monitor the information that the National Student Clearinghouse submits to the National Student Loan Data System on the University's behalf.	Corrective action was taken by creating a new time status of 'UW' that should prevent the withdrawn status from being changed on National Student Clearinghouse (NSC). Other actions include performing secondary reviews at the end of the Fall 2019 term to determine the accuracy of the students' withdrawn enrollment status. Additionally, a new policy was implemented that allows instructors to provide a reasoning when a student receives an "F" to detail if the failure was due to no attendance, a mid-semester stop in attendance, or poor course performance at the end of the semester. This will allow for more accurate reporting to NSC and NSLDS.
2020	State of Texas Federal Portion of the Statewide Single Audit for the Year Ended August 31, 2020 (report to be issued in 2021 / Lamar University, Sam Houston State University, and Texas State University	Audits in progress	

2020	Contracting Processes at The Texas State University System (report issued July 2020)	The audit report noted that System Administration complied with selected contract planning and procurement requirements; implemented contracting policies, procedures, and training in accordance with requirements; and had adequate processes to approve change orders and to close out contracts. The audit report noted that processes could be strengthened to ensure that vendor proposals are properly scored, required conflict of interest and non-disclosure statements are completed, and that contracts include the clauses required by System policy.	Management has taken corrective action to address the recommendations or plans to implement action plans to address the recommendations no later than October 2020.
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