



AUDIT: HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

FY 2016 Audit. State Auditor Mary Mosiman released a letter on August 21, 2017, regarding the audit completed on the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department (HSEMD) for FY 2016. The HSEMD is responsible for making Iowa more prepared for disasters both natural and man-made. The Department's mission is to lead, coordinate, and support homeland security and emergency management functions in order to establish sustainable communities and ensure economic opportunities for Iowa and its citizens.

FY 2016 Finding. The only finding in the audit was related to statutory requirements and other matters. Every State department is required to establish a procurement goal for certified targeted small businesses (TSB) each fiscal year. The goal should exceed the procurement levels from certified TSBs during the previous year. The TSB procurement goals for the HSEMD for FY 2016 were at a level less than the FY 2015 actual TSB spending. The Department responded that it will set the TSB goal above the prior year's spending, and that staff changes and a lack of training for new staff led to the error.

Response Acceptance. The Auditor accepted the Department's response.

More Information. The full audit report can be found on the Auditor of State's website [here](#).

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