AUDIT REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

JULY 1, 1999 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2000

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BACKGROUND

The Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board is a self-supporting Board that was created during the 1957 legislative session. Members of the Board include the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, who serves as chairman, and nine members appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Legislature. The nine members, who serve three-year terms on a staggered basis, include three new car dealers, two used car dealers, one trailer dealer, one manufacturer's representative, one motorcycle dealer, and one member-at-large who represents the general public.

The Board has the responsibility of protecting the public interest in connection with the activities of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of motor vehicles, motorcycles, trailers, and mobile homes. The Board exercises its responsibilities through the issuance, denial, supervision, or revocation of the following licenses: motor vehicle dealers – new and used, salespersons, manufacturers, factory branches, factory representatives, distributors, distributors' representatives, motorcycle dealers, motor vehicle auction dealers, wreckers and salvage dealers, finance companies, and supplemental motor vehicle dealers. The Board also controls the distribution of dealer license plates by means of a statutory formula.

The Board generally meets once per month to approve and deny license applications and to take action on complaints. The Board also conducts hearings for new motor vehicle franchise applications and for the termination of any franchise. These powers were granted to the Board in order to prevent fraud and other abuses upon the citizens of the State.

At June 30, 2000, the office and field staff consisted of an Executive Director, two Administrative Assistants, and five Field Investigators who investigate complaints and inspect dealerships for compliance with the law.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board is the regulation, investigations, and educational matters involving the selling of motor vehicles in the State. Protection of the general public interest is the main priority.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

Honorable Mike Johanns, Governor

BOARD MEMBERS

Beverly Neth, Chairperson Director, Department of Motor Vehicles

Stephan J. Budke – North Platte, NE

R. James Campbell – Lincoln, NE

William C. Cannon – Scottsbluff, NE

Charles T. Grimsley - Omaha, NE

Jerry Haggadone - York, NE

Gary Lambert - McCook, NE

Kevin Langel – Norfolk, NE

Mardy McCullough – Lincoln, NE

Paula L. Wolfson-Kessler - Omaha, NE

OFFICE STAFF

Willaim S. Jackson, Executive Director Joan Zachek, Administrative Assistant Kylie Smith, Administrative Assistant

FIELD STAFF

Arvin Brandt, Investigator Donald Carlson, Investigator Corinne Fiel, Investigator Steven Finke, Investigator Joe Lenstrom, Investigator

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS

During our audit of the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, we noted a certain matter involving the internal control over financial reporting and other operational matters that are presented here. This comment and recommendation is intended to improve the internal control over financial reporting, ensure compliance, or result in operational efficiencies.

License Costs and Fund Balance

When fees are charged for services, good fiscal policy requires the Board to evaluate the appropriateness of the fees charged in relation to the costs incurred by the Board.

During our review, we noted the Board's fund balance at June 30, 2000, was \$739,453. This balance was approximately 1.6 times the total fiscal year 2000 expenditures, and is sufficient to pay approximately 19 months of Board expenditures. Therefore, the Board has a fund balance greater than their level of expenditures can justify. We also noted the fund balance has increased each year from fiscal year 1998 through fiscal year 2000. The fund balance at June 30, 1998 was \$617,484, and at June 30, 1999 was \$642,449.

We noted the Board reduced the dealer license fee in fiscal year 1999 from \$160 to \$150. However, the Board did not reduce license fees in fiscal year 2000.

We recommend the Board annually review all licensing fees and make adjustments to the fees, as necessary, to reduce the fund balance to an acceptable level.

More detailed information on the above item is provided hereafter. It should be noted this report is critical in nature since it contains only our comment and recommendation on the area noted for improvement.

Draft copies of this report were furnished to the Board to provide them an opportunity to review the report and to respond to the comment and recommendation included in this report. The Board declined to respond.

We appreciate the cooperation and courtesy extended to our auditors during the course of the audit.

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NEBRASKA MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000, as listed in the Table of Contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Board's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. 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.

As discussed in Note 1, the general purpose financial statements present only the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board and are not intended to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the State of Nebraska, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board as of June 30, 2000, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated July 26, 2000, on our consideration of Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. The report on compliance and on internal control over financial reporting is an integral part of a Government Auditing Standards audit and should be considered in conjunction with the report on the financial statements.

The accompanying schedule is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the general purpose financial statements. 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 general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

July 26, 2000

Manager

Pat Reding, CPA

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS

June 30, 2000

| | | ernmental nd Types | | Account Groups | | | | |
|--|----|-----------------------|----------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|---------|
| | | Special Revenue | General Fixed Assets | | General Long-Term Debt | | Totals (Memorandum Only) | |
| Assets and Other Debits | | | | | | | | - |
| Cash in State Treasury | \$ | 741,703 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 741,703 |
| Interest Receivable | | 3,280 | | - | | - | | 3,280 |
| Deposit with Vendors | | 742 | | - | | - | | 742 |
| Property, Plant, and Equipment (Note 4) | | - | | 33,874 | | - | | 33,874 |
| Amount to be Provided for Debt Service (Note 5) | | - | | - | | 55,557 | | 55,557 |
| Total Assets and Other Debits | \$ | 745,725 | \$ | 33,874 | \$ | 55,557 | \$ | 835,156 |
| Liabilities: Accounts Payable | \$ | 1,777 | \$ | - | \$ | - | \$ | 1,777 |
| Due to Other Agencies | | 4,495 | | - | | - | | 4,495 |
| Accrued Compensated Absences (Note 5) | | - 0.70 | | _ | | 55,557 | | 55,557 |
| Total Liabilities | | 6,272 | | - | | 55,557 | | 61,829 |
| Fund Balances and Other Credits: | | | | | | | | |
| Investment in General Fixed Assets (Note 4) Fund Balances: | \$ | - | \$ | 33,874 | \$ | - | \$ | 33,874 |
| Reserved for Postage | | 742 | | | | | | 742 |
| Unreserved, Undesignated | | 738,711 | | _ | | | | 738,711 |
| Total Fund Balances and Other Credits | | 739,453 | | 33,874 | | - | | 773,327 |
| Total Liabilities, Fund Balances and | | | | | | | | |
| Other Credits | \$ | 745,725 | \$ | 33,874 | \$ | 55,557 | \$ | 835,156 |

See Notes to General Purpose Financial Statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES, ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

| | Governmental Fund Types | Fiduciary Fund Type | Totals |
|--|----------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| | Special Revenue | Nonexpendable Trust | |
| REVENUES: | | | |
| Sales and Charges: | | | |
| Dealers Licenses | 262,850 | - | 262,850 |
| Salesperson Licenses | 85,510 | - | 85,510 |
| Motor Vehicle Title Fees | 58,992 | - | 58,992 |
| Manufacturer Licenses | 56,700 | - | 56,700 |
| Other | 57,216 | - | 57,216 |
| Miscellaneous: | | | |
| Investment Interest | 41,688 | - | 41,688 |
| Other | 155 | 3,600 | 3,755 |
| TOTAL REVENUES | 563,111 | 3,600 | 566,711 |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | |
| Personal Services | 347,201 | - | 347,201 |
| Operating | 78,266 | - | 78,266 |
| Travel | 40,952 | _ | 40,952 |
| Capital Outlay | 253 | - | 253 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | 466,672 | - | 466,672 |
| Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures | 96,439 | 3,600 | 100,039 |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): | | | |
| Sales of Assets | 565 | - | 565 |
| Deposits to Trust Fund (Note 8) | - | (3,600) | (3,600) |
| TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) | 565 | (3,600) | (3,035) |
| Excess of Revenues and Other Financing | | | |
| Sources Over Expenditures and | | | |
| Other Financing Uses | 97,004 | - | 97,004 |
| FUND BALANCE, JULY 1, 1999 | 642,449 | - | 642,449 |
| FUND BALANCE, JUNE 30, 2000 | \$ 739,453 | \$ - | \$ 739,453 |

See Notes to General Purpose Financial Statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

| | | | \mathbf{C} | ASH FUND | | |
|--|----|---------|--------------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| | | | ACTUAL | | VARIANCE | |
| | | | (BUDGETARY | | FAVORABLE | |
| | | BUDGET | | BASIS) | (U | NFAVORABLE) |
| REVENUES: | | | | | | |
| Sales and Charges: | | | | | | |
| Dealer Licenses | | | \$ | 262,700 | | |
| Salesperson Licenses | | | | 85,110 | | |
| Motor Vehicle Title Fees | | | | 58,992 | | |
| Manufacturer Licenses | | | | 56,400 | | |
| Other Miscellaneous | | | | 57,006 | | |
| Miscellaneous: | | | | | | |
| Investment Interest | | | | 41,628 | | |
| Other | | | | 155 | | |
| TOTAL REVENUES | | | | 561,991 | | |
| EXPENDITURES: | | | | | | |
| Personal Services | \$ | 370,428 | | 347,301 | \$ | 23,127 |
| Operating | | 82,620 | | 78,820 | | 3,800 |
| Travel | | 57,420 | | 39,287 | | 18,133 |
| Capital Outlay | | 12,869 | | 622 | | 12,247 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | | 523,337 | | 466,030 | | 57,307 |
| Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures | | | | 95,961 | _ | |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES): | | | | | | |
| Sale of Assets | | | | 565 | | |
| Operating Transfers Out (Note 8) | | | | (4,939) | | |
| TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) | | | | (4,374) | | |
| Excess of Revenues and Other Financing | | | | | | |
| Sources Over Expenditures and | | | | | | |
| Other Financing Uses | | | | 91,587 | | |
| FUND BALANCES, JULY 1, 1999 | | | | 649,048 | _ | |
| FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30, 2000 | | | \$ | 740,635 | | |

See Notes to General Purpose Financial Statements.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>

A. Basis of Presentation. The accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board (the Board) have been prepared in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The general purpose financial statements have been prepared primarily from accounts maintained by the State Accounting Administrator of the Department of Administrative Services.

B. Reporting Entity. The Board is a State agency established under and governed by the laws of the State of Nebraska. As such, the Board is exempt from State and federal income taxes. The financial statements includes all funds of the Board. The Board has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable, and other organizations which are fiscally dependent on the Board, or the significance of their relationship with the Board are such that exclusion would be misleading or incomplete. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the Board to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the Board.

As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing. No component units were identified. The Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board is part of the primary government for the State of Nebraska's reporting entity.

C. **Fund Structure.** The Board's accounts are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting to ensure compliance with limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to it. Under fund accounting, individual funds are established for the purpose of carrying on activities or attaining objectives in accordance with specific regulations, restrictions, or limitations. Each individual fund is a self-balancing set of accounts recording cash and other financial resources, together with liabilities and residual equities or balances, and changes therein. In the combined financial statements, however, funds that have characteristics have been combined into generic similar fund

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Continued)

as required by GAAP. These generic fund types differ from the Board's budgetary funds which are described later in Note 2. A brief description of these fund types and account groups as used in the Board and the categories into which they are grouped follows:

Governmental Funds. Transactions related to resources received and used for those services traditionally provided by a state government. Governmental funds include:

Special Revenue Funds. Reflect transactions related to resources received and used for restricted or specific purposes.

Fiduciary Funds. Transactions related to assets held by the Board in a trust or agency capacity. The Board's fiduciary fund includes the following:

Nonexpendable Trust Funds. Reflect the transactions, assets, liabilities, and fund equity of trusts whose principal must be maintained intact and whose income is used to fund the activity.

Account Groups. The Account Groups are maintained to account for general long-term debt and fixed assets not accounted for in other funds of the Board.

General Fixed Assets Account Group. Used to account for general fixed assets of the Board.

General Long-Term Debt Account Group. Used to account for long-term obligations of the Board including compensated absences.

D. Basis of Accounting. The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds and expendable trust funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financial sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Continued)

All nonexpendable trust funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included on the balance sheet. As of June 30, 2000, the trust fund had no assets or liabilities.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by all governmental fund types, expendable trust funds, and agency funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period.

Generally, the Board considers a one-year availability period for revenue recognition.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to the general modified accrual expenditure recognition criteria include compensated absences which are recognized when paid.

The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

- **E.** Cash. "Cash" as reported on the balance sheet is under the control of the State Treasurer or other administrative bodies as determined by law. All cash deposited with the State Treasurer is maintained by the Treasurer in an investment pool. The State Investment Officer invests the deposited cash in short-term securities and other investments. All interest revenue is allocated to the State General Fund except allocations required by law to be made to other funds. All the funds of the Board were designated for investment during fiscal year 2000. Amounts are allocated on a monthly basis based on average balances of all invested funds.
- **F. Fixed Assets.** General fixed assets are not capitalized in the funds used to acquire or construct them. Instead, capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in governmental funds, and the related assets are reported in the general fixed assets account group. All purchased fixed assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Continued)

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

Generally, equipment which has a cost in excess of \$300 at the date of acquisition and has an expected useful life of two or more years is capitalized.

Assets in the General Fixed Assets Account Group are not depreciated.

K. Compensated Employee Absences. All permanent employees working for the Board earn sick and annual leave. Temporary and intermittent employees and Board and Commission members are not eligible for paid leave.

Board employees accrue vested annual leave at a variable rate based on years of service. Generally, accrued annual leave cannot exceed 35 days at the end of a calendar year.

Employees accrue sick leave at a variable rate based on years of service. In general, accrued sick leave cannot exceed 180 days for employees under Nebraska Classified System Personnel Rules and Regulation. Sick leave is not vested except upon death or upon reaching the retirement eligibility age of 55, at which time the State is liable for 25 percent of the employee's accumulated sick leave. It is the Board's policy to liquidate unpaid annual leave, vested sick leave, and compensatory leave from future sources rather than currently available expendable resources. Accordingly, governmental funds recognize annual, sick, and compensatory leave when it is paid.

A long-term liability for the vested portion of compensated absences in governmental fund as of June 30, 2000, has been recorded in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group as follows:

| Annual Leave | \$ 27,315 |
|--------------|--------------|
| Sick Leave | 28,242 |
| | \$ 55,557 |

L. Revenues. The major account titles and descriptions as established by the Nebraska Accounting System that are used by the Board are:

Sales and Charges. Income derived from sales of merchandise and commodities, compensation for services rendered, and charges for various licenses, permits, and fees.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Continued)

Motor Vehicle Dealer Licenses. This license permits the licensee to engage in the business of selling or exchanging new, used, or new and used motor vehicles and trailers.

Motor Vehicle Salesperson Licenses. This license permits the licensee to sell, purchase, exchange or negotiate for the sale, purchase, or exchange of motor vehicles, motorcycles, or trailers.

Motor Vehicle Title Fees. Ten cents of each motor vehicle title fee is remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Fund for the purpose of conducting preliminary investigations of motor vehicle licensing violations related to odometer motor vehicle fraud.

Manufacturer License. This license permits the licensee to engage in the business of distributing, manufacturing, or assembling new motor vehicles, trailers, or motorcycles.

Other. These license include factory representative, distributor, finance company, wrecker and salvage and special permits.

Miscellaneous. Revenues from sources not covered by other major categories.

I. Expenditures. The major account titles and descriptions as established by the Nebraska Accounting System that are used by the Board are:

Personal Services. Salaries, wages, and related employee benefits provided for all persons employed by a government.

Operating. Expenditures directly related to a program's primary service activities.

Travel. All travel expenditures for any state officer, employee, or member of any commission, council, committee, or board of the State.

Capital Outlay. Expenditures which result in the acquisition of or an addition to fixed assets. Fixed assets are resources of a long-term character owned or held by the government.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Continued)

1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u> (Concluded)

- **J. Fund Balance Reservations.** Reservations of fund balance are established to identify the existence of assets that have been legally segregated for specific purposes. Reservations of fund balance are also established for assets which are not current in nature, such as postage.
- **K. Interfund Transactions.** Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures, or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Non-recurring or non-routine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

L. Totals - Memorandum Only. The Total "Memorandum Only" column represents an aggregation of individual account balances. The column is presented for overview informational purposes and does not present consolidated financial information since interfund balances and transactions have not been eliminated.

2. **Budgetary Process**

The Board's biennial budget cycle ends on June 30 of the odd-numbered years. By September 15, prior to a biennium, the Board must submit its budget request for the biennium beginning the following July 1. The requests are submitted on forms that show estimated funding requirements by programs, subprograms, and activities. The Executive Branch reviews the requests, establishes priorities, and balances the budget within the estimated resources available during the upcoming biennium.

The Governor's budget bill is submitted to the Legislature in January. The Legislature considers revisions to the bill and submits the revised appropriation bill to the Governor for signature. The Governor can either: a) approve the appropriation bill in its entirety, b) veto the bill, or c) line item veto certain sections of the bill. Any vetoed bill or line item can be overridden by a three-fifths majority of the Legislature.

The appropriations that are approved will generally set spending limits for a particular program within the agency. Within the agency/program, the Legislature may provide

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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2. <u>Budgetary Process</u> (Continued)

funding from one to five budgetary fund types. Thus, the legal level of control is fund type within program within agency. The central accounting system maintains this control. A separate publication titled "Annual Budgetary Report" shows the detail of this legal level of control. This publication is available from the Department of Administrative Services Accounting Division.

Appropriations are usually made for each year of the biennium with unexpended balances being reappropriated at the end of the first year of the biennium. For most appropriations, balances lapse at the end of the biennium.

The budgetary fund types used by the Board differ from the fund types presented in the financial statements. The budgetary funds, which are listed below, are generally segregated by revenue sources.

Cash Funds. To account for the financing of goods or services provided by a State agency to individuals or entities outside State government on a cost-reimbursement basis. The Cash Fund is used to record all revenues from licenses issued and for the expenditures of the operations of the Board.

Trust Funds. To account for assets held in a trustee capacity. No appropriation control is established for this fund type. Expenditures are made in accordance with the terms of the trust. The Trust Fund is a common fund used for administrative fines assessed and collected.

The accompanying financial statements were prepared by classifying budgetary fund data into the fund format required by GAAP. The cash basis of accounting is used for all budgetary fund types.

All State budgetary expenditures for the cash fund are made pursuant to the appropriations that may be amended by the Legislature, upon approval by the Governor. State agencies may allocate the appropriations between major object of expenditure accounts except that the Legislature's approval is required to exceed the personal service limitations contained in the appropriations bill. Increases in total cash fund appropriations must also be approved by the Legislature as a deficit appropriations bill.

The Board utilizes encumbrance accounting to account for purchase orders, contracts, and other expenditure commitments. However, State law does not require that all encumbrances be recorded in the State's centralized accounting system and as a result, the encumbrances that were recorded in the accounting system have not been included in the accompanying financial statements except for the impact as described below.

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Continued)

2. <u>Budgetary Process</u> (Concluded)

Under State budgetary procedures, appropriation balances related to outstanding encumbrances at the end of the biennium are lapsed and reappropriated in the first year of the next biennium. The effect of the Board's current procedure is to include in the budget columns, Total Expenditure line, of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual the current year's appropriations plus the amounts reappropriated for encumbrances outstanding at the end of the prior biennium. This procedure indicates the Board's intention to honor the encumbrances at the end of a biennium. The expenditures columns of the Statement include cash payments related to the appropriated and reappropriated amounts. For the year ended June 30, 2000, there were no budgetary funds in which expenditures exceeded appropriations.

Budgets for object of expenditure accounts are included in the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services Budget Status Report.

Revenues are not budgeted and therefore, there are no budgeted amounts shown on the Budget and Actual Statement.

There are no annual budgets prepared for Trust and Distributive Funds and as a result, no budgetary comparisons are presented.

A reconciliation of the budgetary versus the financial statements funds as of June 30, 2000, follows:

| | | | - | AL STATEMENT D EQUITIES | |
|---|-------------------|----------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | BUDGETARY FUND | | | | |
| | | EQUITIES | | PRIMARY VERNMENT | |
| | Total | | Special Revenue | | |
| DED ODE OTHER DIFFERENCES | - | 10441 | · | Revenue | |
| PERSPECTIVE DIFFERENCES: Classifications of budgetary fund equities into Financial Statement fund structure: Cash | \$ | 740,635 | \$ | 740,635 | |
| Budgetary fund equities classified into Financial Statement fund structure | | | | | |
| | \$ | 740,635 | | | |
| BASIS DIFFERENCES: | | | • | | |
| Record net accrued receivables, Liabilities and inventories Other | | | | (2,992) 1,810 | |
| Financial Statement Fund Equities, June 30, 2000 | | | \$ | 739,453 | |

NOTES TO GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Continued)

3. Operating Transfers - Due To Other Funds

As indicated in Note 1, the Board only represents part of the primary government for the State of Nebraska. As such, amounts reflected as operating transfers and due to/due from other funds will not balance within the financial statements.

4. <u>Fixed Assets</u>

The general fixed assets of the Board are those fixed assets used in performance of general governmental functions.

The following is a summary of changes in the general fixed assets account group during the fiscal year:

| | В | alance | | | | | | Balance |
|-----------|------|---------|-----|-----------------------|----|----------|----|-------------|
| | July | 1, 1999 | Ado | Additions Retirements | | irements | Ju | ne 30, 2000 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Equipment | \$ | 40,482 | \$ | 623 | \$ | 7,231 | \$ | 33,874 |

5. General Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of changes in the general long-term debt account group during the fiscal year:

| | | Balance | | | | | | Balance |
|----------------------|----|------------|----------|-------|-------------------|---|-------------|---------|
| | Ju | ly 1, 1999 | Increase | | Increase Decrease | | Se June 30, | |
| C 1 1 1 1 | Ф | 52.542 | Ф | 2.015 | Ф | | Φ | |
| Compensated Absences | \$ | 53,542 | \$ | 2,015 | \$ | - | \$ | 55,557 |

For Compensated Absences the Increase represents the Net Change in this account balance.

6. State Employees' Retirement Plan (Plan)

The Plan is a single-employer defined contribution plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Board in accordance with the provisions of the State Employees Retirement Act and may be amended through Legislative action. In the defined contribution plan, retirement benefits depend on total contributions, investment earnings, and the investment options selected. Membership in the Plan is required of all permanent full-time employees on reaching the age of thirty and completion of twenty-four months of continuous service and voluntary participation is permitted for all permanent full-time

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6. <u>State Employees' Retirement Plan (Plan)</u> (Concluded)

or part-time employees upon reaching age twenty and twelve months of service within a five-year period, except any individual appointed by the Governor may elect not to become a member of the Plan.

Employees contribute 4.33% of their monthly compensation until such time as they have paid during any calendar year a total of eight hundred sixty four dollars, after which time they shall pay a sum equal to 4.8% of their monthly compensation for the remainder of such calendar year. The Board matches the employee's contribution at a rate of 156% of the employee's contribution.

The employee's account is fully vested. The employer's account is vested 100% after five years participation in the plan or at retirement.

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2000, Board's employees contributed \$12,846 and the Board contributed \$20,039.

7. Contingencies and Commitments

Risk Management. The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; natural disasters; and health care insurance. The Board, as part of the primary government for the State, participates in the State's risk management program. The Nebraska Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Division of Risk Management is responsible for maintaining the insurance and self-insurance programs for the State. The State generally self-insures for general liability and workers compensation. The State has chosen to purchase insurance for:

- 1. Motor vehicle liability which is insured for the first \$5 million of exposure per accident. Insurance is also purchased for medical payments, physical damage and uninsured and underinsured motorists with various limits and deductibles.
- 2. Health care insurance for employees selecting certain coverage options. All health care insurance was purchased.
- 3. Crime coverage with a limit of \$1 million for each loss with a \$10,000 retention per incident.

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7. <u>Contingencies and Commitments</u> (Concluded)

4. Real and personal property on a blanket basis for losses up to \$250,000,000 with a self-insured retention of \$100,000 per loss occurrence. The perils of Flood and Earthquake are covered up to \$9,000,000. Newly acquired properties are only covered up to \$1,000,000 for 60 days or until the value of the property is reported to the insurance company.

No settlements exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. Health care insurance is funded in the Risk Management Internal Service Fund through a combination of employee and State contributions. Workers compensation is also funded in the Risk Management Internal Service Fund through assessments on each agency based on total agency payroll and past experience. Tort claims, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters would be funded through the State General Fund or by individual agency assessments as directed by the Legislature, unless covered by purchased insurance. No amounts for estimated claims have been reported in the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board's financial statements.

Litigation. The potential amount of liability involved in litigation pending against the Board, if any, could not be determined at this time. However, it is the Board's opinion that final settlement of those matters should not have an adverse effect on the Board's ability to administer current programs. Any judgement against the Board would have to be processed through the State Claims Board and be approved by the Legislature.

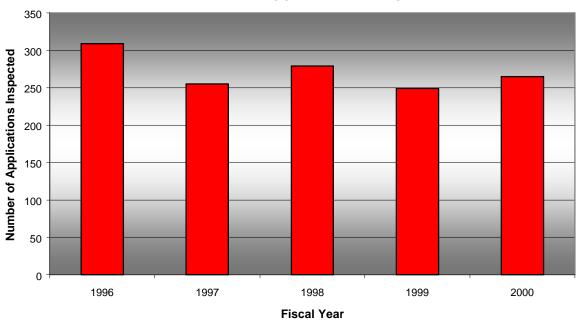
8. Fund 6334 – Trust Fund

Fund 6334 – the Permanent School Fund is a Non-Expendable Trust Fund. This fund is a common fund which is shared with several other State agencies in the Nebraska Accounting System. All amounts contributed to this fund by participating State agencies are reflected in fund balances of the fund's custodial agency – the Nebraska Board of Educational Lands and Funds.

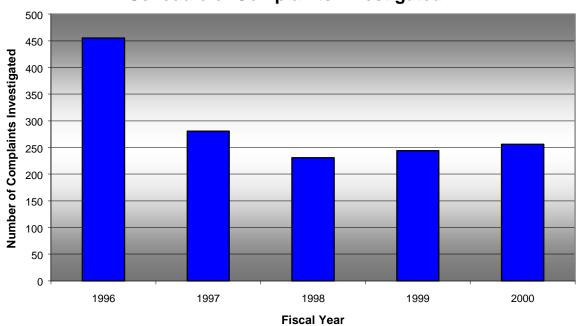
State Statute Section 60-1415, R.R.S. 1998, requires all administrative fines collected by the Board to be credited to the Permanent School Fund. Fines collected are presented in the non-expendable trust fund as Receipts – Miscellaneous – Other and Other Financing Uses – Deposits to Trust Fund.

NEBRASKA MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD SCHEDULE OF SERVICE EFFORTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Schedule of New Applications Inspected



Schedule of Complaints Investigated



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NEBRASKA MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD 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 Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, and have issued our report thereon dated July 26, 2000. The report was modified to emphasize that the financial statements present only the funds of the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board's general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with 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 not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control 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 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 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 weaknesses. However, we noted a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that we have reported to management of Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board in the Comments Section of this report as Comment Number 1 (License Costs and Fund Balance).

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the agency, the appropriate Federal and regulatory agencies and citizens of the State of Nebraska and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

July 26, 2000

Manager

Pat Reding, CPA