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Report Highlights

Boards, Commissions, and Like Entities

Annual Report to the Legislature as of June 30, 2020

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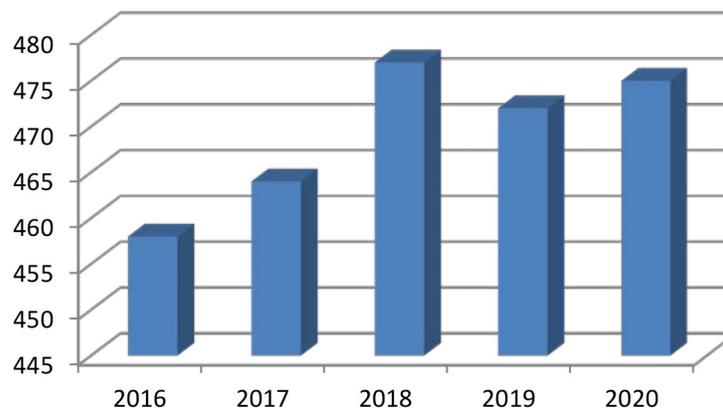
Why We Conducted This Work

Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 24:513.2(E) requires the Legislative Auditor to submit annually to the Legislature a report on boards, commissions, and like entities (Boards) and to report findings and recommendations resulting from our analysis of the information.

What We Found

We identified 475 Boards as of June 30, 2020, which is an increase of three from the previous year. As noted below, the total number of Boards has fluctuated between 458 and 477 over the past five years.

Number of Boards, Commissions, and Like Entities



We identified six Boards that did not respond to our request for personnel data and financial information. The Division of Administration sent notices of noncompliance to the respective legislative committees as required by R.S. 49:1301. Two of the six Boards also failed to respond to our request in the prior year.

We identified 12 inactive Boards that were not fulfilling their established functions, ten of which were also identified as inactive in the prior year.

We identified 45 Boards that reported their status as active but have not reported any meeting notices or minutes subsequent to December 31, 2017. Also, seven of these Boards have no board members identified on the website.

For fiscal year 2020, Boards budgeted approximately \$1 million for Board member per diems, \$2.2 million for Board member salaries, and \$2.1 million for Board member travel expenses. Boards have until May 1, 2021, to submit actual expenses from fiscal year 2020, along with their fiscal year 2021 budgets.

View the full report, including management's response, at www.la.gov.