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TO THE

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The Honorable Speaker of the Assembly
The Honorable President pro Tempore of the Senate
The Honorable Members of the Senate and the
Assembly of the Legislature of California

Members of the Legislature:

Your Joint Legislative Audit Committee respectfully submits the Auditor General's financial audit report of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws, year ended June 30, 1979.

The auditors are Richard I. LaRock, CPA, Audit Manager; Jeffrey A. Winston; and Nancy L. Campbell.

Respectfully submitted,

. FLOYD MORI

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Attachment

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INTRODUCTION

In response to a resolution of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee and in compliance with federal Office of Revenue Sharing regulations, we have conducted a financial audit of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws. This audit was conducted under the authority vested in the Auditor General by Section 10527 of the Government Code.

The objective of the commission is to draft uniform laws deemed desirable and practicable by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The commission then presents these drafts to the California Legislature. The commission is composed of four members appointed by the Governor, one member of each house of the Legislature appointed by their respective houses, and the Legislative Counsel as a member ex officio. The commission is supported by annual appropriations from the State's General Fund.

AUDITOR'S OPINION

To the Joint Legislative Audit Committee of the California Legislature:

We have examined the balance sheet of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws as of June 30, 1979 and the related statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in operating clearing for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the aforementioned financial statements present fairly the financial position of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws at June 30, 1979 and the results of operations and changes in operating clearing for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The accompanying supplemental information is not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements but is presented as additional analytical data and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

WESLEY E, VOSS

Assistant Auditor General

Date: February 5, 1980

Staff: Richard I. LaRock, CPA

Jeffrey A. Winston Nancy L. Campbell

CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS

BALANCE SHEET GENERAL FUND

JUNE 30, 1979

ASSETS

Total	Assets	\$	
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	LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Total	Liabilities	\$	 _
Total	Fund Equity		
Total	Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN OPERATING CLEARING - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1979

	Budget as Adjusted	Actual	Variance
Sources: Appropriations (Note 2)	<u>\$42,173</u>	\$39,095	<u>\$(3,078</u>)
Expenditures: Current: Support (Note 3)	<u>\$39,095</u>	39,095	<u>\$</u>
Net Increase in Operating Clearing			
Operating Clearing - July 1, 1978 (Note 4)			
Operating Clearing - June 30, 1979 (Note 4)		<u>\$</u>	

The notes to the financial statement are an integral part of this statement.

CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 1979

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements reflect the financial position and results of operations of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws. The statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to state and local government as prescribed by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and by the National Council on Governmental Accounting.

The Legislative Counsel Bureau maintains the accounts of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws. The State Controller maintains the central accounts for all state funds and annually publishes consolidated fund statements.

The General Fund is the only fund used by the California Commission on Uniform State Laws. This fund includes all financial resources not accounted for in another fund and is classified as a governmental fund type. Governmental Fund Types are those through which most governmental functions are financed and include the acquisition, use, and balances of the government's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities.

The accounts of the commission are maintained on a modified accrual basis of accounting. Expenditures are recognized, if measurable, in the accounting period in which the liability is incurred.

2. APPROPRIATIONS

Funds provided from appropriations consist of cash disbursed by the State Controller from the commission's appropriations.

3. SUPPORT EXPENDITURES

The legislative budget for support expenditures of the commission is in total only.

4. OPERATING CLEARING

This account is the connecting link between the records of the commission and the central fund accounts maintained by the State Controller for the General Fund. The balance at June 30 represents the net assets and liabilities for which the commission is accountable.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

The annual legislative budget for support expenditures of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws is in total only. The following schedule shows the nature of expenditures for the period as kept by the commission for management purposes.

CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON UNIFORM STATE LAWS

SCHEDULE OF SUPPORT EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1979

Contribution for support of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform	
State Laws	\$33,000
Travel-in-state	562
Travel-out-of-state	<u>5,533</u>
Total Support Expenditures	\$39,095

OTHER COMMENTS

As an integral part of our examination, we reviewed the Legislative Counsel Bureau's accounting procedures and related system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to properly form an opinion concerning the fairness with which the financial statements of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws present its financial position and the results of operations in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied.

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