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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 Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing, year ended June 30, 1979.

The auditors are Curt Davis, CPA; Romero Zamora; Gus Demas; Geraldine Parks; Teri Yee; Michael Tritz; and Charles Thrasher.

Respectfully submitted,

S. FLOYD MORI

Chairman, Joint Legislative

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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 Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing. This audit was conducted under the authority vested in the Auditor General by Section 10527 of the Government Code.

The Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing is authorized under Section 44210 of the Education Code to ensure excellence in education by encouraging high standards of quality and diversity through broad minimum standards and quidelines. The commission is organized into six program approved programs, examinations and evaluations, units: licensing, professional standards, beginning teacher evaluation study, and administration. The commission's staff approve, monitor, and review teacher preparation programs, administer examination and evaluation programs, license qualified credential applicants, and review charges of immoral or unethical conduct on the part of public school certificated personnel.

The programs of the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing are supported by credential fees, subject matter examination fees, intergovernmental revenues, and income from the investment of surplus money.

AUDITOR'S OPINION

To the Joint Legislative Audit Committee of the California Legislature:

We have examined the combined balance sheet of the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing as of June 30, 1979 and the related statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance 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 Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing at June 30, 1979 and the results of operations and changes in fund balance for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

The column amounts on the accompanying financial statements captioned "Totals - Memorandum Only" for June 30, 1979 are not necessary for a fair presentation of the financial statements but are presented as additional analytical data and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

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COMMISSION FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND LICENSING

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUP

JUNE 30, 1979

ASSETS	Governmental Fund Type Special Revenue	Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust	Account Group General Fixed Assets	Totals (<u>Memorandum Only</u>) June 30, 1979
Cash	\$ 196,487	\$160,583	\$	\$ 357,070
Deposits in Surplus Money Investment Fund	1,476,000			1,476,000
Due from Surplus Money Investment Fund Due from other funds Due from Federal Government Prepayments to other funds Expense advances to employees Equipment	70,427 94,979 44,084 3,871	1,515 22,247 	 164,025	70,427 96,494 22,247 44,084 3,871
Total Assets	\$1,885,848	\$184,345	\$164,025	\$2,234,218
LIABILITIES, ENCUMBRANCES OUTSTANDING, AND FUND EQUITY Liabilities: Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$ 123,316	\$ 18,847	\$	\$ 141,983 94,979
Total Liabilities	123,316	94,979 113,876		236,962
Encumbrances Outstanding	52,502	_113,070		52,502
Č	32,302			52,502
Fund Equity: Investment in general fixed assets (Note 3) Fund balance	1,710,210	70,519	164,025	164,025 1,780,729
Total Fund Equity	1,710,210	70,519	164,025	1,944,754
Total Liabilities, Encumbrances Outstanding, and Fund Equity	<u>\$1,885,848</u>	\$184,345	\$164,025	<u>\$2,234,218</u>

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

COMMISSION FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND LICENSING

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1979

	Governmental Fund Type Special Revenue	Fiduciary <u>Fund Type</u> Expendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only) June 30, 1979
Revenues: (Note 2) Support appropriations Income from Surplus Money Investment Fund Receipts from Federal Government	\$2,114,819 151,499 	\$ 	\$2,114,819 151,499 198,782
Total Revenues	2,266,318	198,782	2,465,100
Other Sources: Reimbursements Intergovernmental revenues Miscellaneous adjustments (Note 4)	104,713 190,081 38,861		104,713 190,081 38,861
Total Other Sources	333,655		333,655
Total Revenues and Other Sources	2,599,973	198,782	2,798,755
Expenditures: (Note 2) Personal services Operating expenses and equipment Expenditures of federal receipts Miscellaneous adjustments (Note 4)	2,034,323 1,012,076 	290,416 	2,034,323 1,012,076 290,416 300
Total Expenditures	3,046,399	290,716	3,337,115
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over (under) Expenditures	(446,426)	(91,934)	(538,360)
Fund Balance - July 1	2,156,636	162,453	2,319,089
Fund Balance - June 30,	\$1,710,210	<u>\$ 70,519</u>	\$1,780,729

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

COMMISSION FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND LICENSING

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1979

	Budget as Adjusted	Actual	Variance
Revenues: (Note 2) Support appropriation	\$3,029,341	\$2,114,819	\$(914,522)
Income from Surplus Money Investment Fund		151,499	151,499
Total Revenues	3,029,341	2,266,318	(763,023)
Other Sources: Reimbursements Intergovernmental revenues Miscellaneous adjustments	101,214 410,000	104,713 190,081 38,861	3,499 (219,919) 38,861
Total Other Sources	511,214	333,655	<u>(177,559</u>)
Total Revenues and Other Sources	3,540,555	2,599,973	(940,582)
Expenditures: (Note 2) Personal services Operating expenses and equipment	2,230,895 1,309,660	2,034,323 1,012,076	196,572 297,584
Total Expenditures	3,540,555	3,046,399	494,156
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources over (under) Expenditures	\$	(446,426)	\$(446,426)
Fund Balance - July 1		2,156,636	
Fund Balance - June 30		\$1,710,210	

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

COMMISSION FOR TEACHER PREPARATION AND LICENSING 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 Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing. The statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to state and local governments as prescribed by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and by the National Council on Governmental Accounting.

The accompanying financial statements are structured into a Governmental Fund Type, a Fiduciary Fund Type, and an Account Group. The Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing accounts for only its portion of the two fund type categories. The State Controller maintains the central accounts for all state funds and annually publishes fund statements.

GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

Governmental Fund Types are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use, and balances of the government's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities—except those accounted for in Proprietary Funds—are accounted for through governmental funds. The Governmental Fund Type for the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing is a Special Revenue Fund—the Teacher Credentials Fund—which accounts for fees collected by the commission for examination, registration, and certification of professional teachers. The fees are used to finance the commission's costs in performing its activities as required by the Education Code.

The Special Revenue Fund is maintained on the modified accrual basis of accounting. These are some of its more significant elements:

Income

Throughout the fiscal year all income, except for certain reimbursements which are recorded when billed, is accounted for on a cash basis. At June 30, the accounts are adjusted to accrue all earned but uncollected income.

Expenditures

Expenditures are accounted for at the time claims for payment are filed with the State Controller. At June 30, all valid expenditure commitments are accrued as expenditures including encumbrances outstanding against the fund balance for which no goods or services have been received.

Liabilities

Retirement Plan - Regular employees of the commission are members of the Public Employees' (PERS) defined benefit. which is System a The amount the contributory retirement plan. commission and its employees contribute to PERS is actuarially determined under a program in which contributions plus retirement system earnings provide the necessary funds to pay retirement costs as Retirement contributions for the year accrued. totaled \$264,685.

<u>Vacation and Sick Leave</u> - Costs of vacation and sick leave are charged when these benefits are used rather than when they are earned.

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

Fiduciary Fund Types are used to account for assets held by a governmental unit as a trustee. The Fiduciary Fund Type for the Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing is the The Special Deposit Fund is an Special Deposit Fund. Expendable Trust Fund which is used to account intergovernmental revenues and monies collected under Section 44223 of the Education Code for employee's elective purchase of annuity contracts.

ACCOUNT GROUP

The Account Group is used to account for general fixed assets. Assets purchased, including those acquired under an installment purchase contract (as explained in Note 3), are recorded as expenditures in the appropriate fund in the year of acquisition or encumbrance. General fixed assets increased by a net of \$34,547 during the fiscal year.

2. BUDGETED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

The amounts shown under "Budget as Adjusted" for revenues and expenditures reflect the Governor's Budget after allowing for adjustments by the Budget Act, interim statutory changes affecting appropriations, and authorized executive budget revisions issued during the year.

3. INVESTMENT IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

This account includes an unpaid balance of \$13,814 at June 30, 1979; the balance represents unpaid amounts on installment purchase contracts that are payable over the next 36 months in equal monthly installments of \$406.75. The monthly installments include interest at 5.5 percent on the unpaid principal.

4. MISCELLANEOUS ADJUSTMENTS

This account shows the difference between the net amount of revenues, expenditures, abatements, and reimbursements accrued as of the previous June 30 and the actual amount of revenues, expenditures, abatements, and reimbursements related to the prior year but obtained during the current fiscal year.

OTHER INFORMATION

As an integral part of our examination, we reviewed the accounting procedures and related system of internal accounting control at the commission and at the Department of General Services (which maintains the commission's accounting records) to the extent we considered necessary to properly form an opinion concerning the fairness with which the commission's financial statements present its financial position and results of operations in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied.

Our review enabled us to suggest improvements which would result in better operating procedures and controls. A management letter describing the suggested operating improvements was issued to the commission in conjunction with certain recommended adjusting entries necessary to achieve compliance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The commission generally concurs with the suggested operating improvements and adjusting entries.

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