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Dear Joint Legislative Audit Committee Co-Chair Wimberger and Co-Chair Wittke:

Legislative Audit Bureau Report 24-23: State of Wisconsin FY 2023-24 Financial Statements recommended that the Department of Administration (DOA) provide quarterly reports to the Committee on efforts to monitor agency compliance with the State of Wisconsin IT Security Policy Handbook and related standards. This letter serves as the update on corrective actions identified in the Report through March 31, 2025.

Prior to the publication of Report 24-23, DOA completed the following items.

- Updated existing access review procedures to include a process for managing the intake of access reviews and an escalation process.
- Privileged active directory account access review for DOA and DOA-supported agencies with documentation of the review and changes made to access for the second half of calendar year 2024.
- Non-privileged active directory account access review for DOA and DOA-supported agencies with documentation of the review and changes made to access.
- Collection of agency-specific exception documentation plans for the 73 controls that pose the highest risk and documented review of those plans.

Since the publication of Report 24-23, DOA has completed the following corrective actions with a February 28 anticipated completion date.

- Privileged active directory account access review for DOA and DOA supported agencies with documentation of the review and changes made to access for the first half of calendar year 2025.
- Creation of a detailed plan on how DOA will complete access reviews for all other internal types of accounts, including updating access based on the review and retaining documentation of the review and changes made to access.

DOA expects to complete the following corrective actions by the June 30 anticipated completion date.

- Assess and document agency-reported information for controls that pose a higher risk if not implemented.
- Evaluate and document risks related to approved policy exceptions, vulnerability assessments, and penetration tests.
- Privileged and non-privileged mainframe account access review with documentation of the review and changes made to access.

Upon completing these tasks, DOA will have finished all the corrective action items associated with the three IT-related findings identified in Report 24-23: Finding 2024-001, Finding 2024-002, and Finding 2024-003.

As a reminder, due to security concerns, DOA does not provide more detailed updates about matters of this nature. DOA will provide documentation and additional information about these items to LAB during LAB's field work for its audit of the State of Wisconsin's FY 2024-25 Financial Statements. If the Joint Legislative Audit Committee has any questions about the status of these items in the meantime, please contact DOA's Legislative Advisor, Cara Connors, at [cara.connors@wisconsin.gov](mailto:cara.connors@wisconsin.gov) or 608-224-9399.

Sincerely,



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