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Ball Releases Audit of Greenup County Fiscal Court

FRANKFORT, Ky. – State Auditor Allison Ball has released the audit of the financial statements of the Greenup County Fiscal Court for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023. State law requires annual audits of county fiscal courts.

Auditing standards require the auditor's letter to communicate whether the financial statements present fairly the receipts, disbursements, and changes in fund balances of the Greenup County Fiscal Court in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The fiscal court's financial statement did not follow this format. However, the fiscal court's financial statement is fairly presented in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting, which is an acceptable reporting methodology. This reporting methodology is followed for 116 of 120 fiscal court audits in Kentucky.

The audit contains the following finding:

The Greenup County Jail does not have adequate segregation of duties over jail commissary transactions: The jail does not have adequate segregation of duties over jail commissary transactions. The bookkeeper for the jail commissary prepares deposits, prepares daily checkout sheets, and posts to the receipts ledger. In addition, the bookkeeper prepares monthly collection and disbursement reports, posts to the disbursements ledger, and prepares monthly bank reconciliations. The jailer has been informed of this issue and has failed to segregate duties or to implement and document compensating controls sufficient to offset the weakness noted.

We recommend the jailer segregate duties adequately. If these duties cannot be segregated, the jailer should implement compensating controls to help offset this weakness.

County Judge/Executive's Response: The jailer is implementing necessary changes to correct the issue.

Jailer's Response: Currently implementing additional controls.

The audit report can be found on the auditor's website.

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