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## seeking comment/explanation

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To: Mary.Mosiman@auditor.state.ia.us, Bernardo.Granwehr@auditor.state.ia.us, Anna Hartzog <Anna.Hartzog@auditor.state.ia.us>

Dear Auditor Mosiman,

I write the Iowa politics website Bleeding Heartland and am seeking your comment on why the latest "Report on Recommendations" for Iowa State University for the year ending June 30, 2016 was not released until today.

The comparable report for the University of Iowa was released on August 3. The comparable report for the University of Northern Iowa was released on August 7.

In addition, the state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2015 was released on August 16, 2016.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2014 was released on July 27, 2015.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2013 was released on July 18, 2014.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2012 was released on July 3, 2013.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2011 was released on July 9, 2012.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2010 was released on July 13, 2011.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2009 was released on August 31, 2010.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2009 was released on August 31, 2010.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2008 was released on July 17, 2009.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2007 was released on July 11, 2008.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2006 was released on July 16, 2007.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2005 was released on July 21, 2006.

The state auditor's report on recommendations for ISU for the year ending June 30, 2004 was released on September

2, 2005.

To an outsider, it appears that your office withheld publication of the latest Report on Recommendations for ISU, waiting for a time when it would receive little media attention. As you are aware, yesterday's hiring of Wendy Wintersteen as ISU's president has dominated news coverage of the university during the last 24 hours.

Why didn't your office release this report months ago?

Did anyone representing Iowa State University or the Iowa Board of Regents ask the Office of Auditor of State to delay the release of this report?

Did anyone else (either a private citizen or a state government official) ask the Office of Auditor of State to delay the release of this report?

If you would prefer to respond by phone, my number is (515) 276-6971.

Yours,

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