LSU HEALTH CARE SERVICES DIVISION BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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CONTENT:

Reporting Misappropriation of Public Funds or Assets

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LSU HEALTH CARE SERVICES DIVISION

Reporting Misappropriation of Public Funds or Assets

I. POLICY STATEMENT

APPROVED:

It is the policy of the Louisiana State University Health Care Services Division (LSU – HCSD) to comply with Act 1101 of the 2001 Legislative Session, requiring governmental entities and quasi-public entities to notify the Legislative Auditor and the District Attorney of any misappropriation of public funds or assets.

II. <u>STATUTE</u>

Regular Session, 2001	ENROLLED
HOUSE BILL NO. 1815	ACT 1101
BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE AN ACT	
To enact R.S. 24:523, relative to notifications to the legislative auditor at to require that agency heads notify the legislative auditor and district at misappropriation of public funds or assets; and to provide for related misappropriation.	torney of the
Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: Section 1. R.S. 24:523 is hereby enacted to read as follows: S.523. Notification of the legislative auditor and district attorney	
A. An agency head of an auditee who has actual knowledge of any misappropriation of the public funds or assets of his agency shall im notify, in writing, the legislative auditor and the district attorney of which the agency is domiciled of such misappropriation. The district other prosecutorial agency, notified of such misappropriation may reassistance from the legislative auditor with respect to the misappropriation.	the parish in ct attorney, or equest audit
B. For the purposes of this Section the terms "agency head" and "his agency" shall have the same meanings as provided in R.S. 42:1102.	
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTAT	TIVES
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE	
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA	

III. PROCEDURE

The Appointing Authority of the LSU-HCSD hospital or administrative agency who has actual knowledge of any misappropriation of the public funds or assets of his agency shall immediately notify, in writing, the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the agency is domiciled of such misappropriation, and copy the LSU-HCSD Deputy CEO and LSU System Office Director of Internal Audit. Misappropriation of public funds or assets could include payroll funds, cash, equipment or property of the entity. A sample letter format is attached.

IV. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to all facilities and offices of the LSU-HCSD.

V. IMPLEMENTATION

This policy becomes effective upon approval and the signature of the Deputy CEO of the LSU-HCSD. Subsequent revisions shall become effective on the date the revised policies are approved by the Deputy CEO.

VI. <u>RESPONSIBILITY</u>

It shall be the responsibility of each Division Director and Hospital Administrator or designee(s) to adhere to the procedures set forth in this policy.

SAMPLE LETTER to report misappropriation of public funds or assets to the Legislative Auditor and the local District Attorney:

(On hospital/administrative agency letterhead)

DATE

(Name of Legislative Auditor) Legislative Auditor Post Office Box 94397 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9397

Dear (name of legislative auditor):

Reference is made to Act 1101 of the 2001 Legislative Session, requiring governmental entities and quasi-public entities to notify the Legislative Auditor and the local District Attorney of any misappropriation of public funds or assets.

(Describe misappropriation of funds, items, etc., including date you discovered funds/asset missing, and that a police report was filed with the XXXX Police Department, as appropriate with a stolen item).

If additional information is required, please contact me at (XXX) XXX-XXXX.

Sincerely,

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Hospital Administrator

cc:

XXXX, District Attorney, XXXX Parish Deputy Chief Executive Officer, LSU-HCSD Comptroller, LSU-HCSD Director of Human Resources, LSU-HCSD LSU System Director of Internal Audit