

1 1. All miscellaneous claims and payroll claims for the payment
2 of money from the State Treasury, shall be filed with the Director
3 of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for audit and
4 settlement prior to being filed for payment with the State
5 Treasurer;

6 2. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
7 Services may establish alternative procedures for the settlement of
8 claims whenever such procedures are more advantageous so long as
9 they are consistent with the requirements of state law;

10 3. Such alternative procedures shall be at the discretion of
11 the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services and
12 may include, but are not limited to:

- 13 a. a procedure to permit consolidated payment to vendors
14 for claims involving more than one agency of the state
15 when audit and settlement of such claims, as
16 hereinafter provided, can in all respects be
17 accomplished,
- 18 b. procedures based upon valid statistical sampling
19 models for preaudit of claims, against contracts,
20 purchase orders and other commitments before entering
21 such claims against the accounts, and
- 22 c. policies, procedures and performance criteria for the
23 participation of agencies or departments, not
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1 authorized by this section, to engage in an
2 alternative system for the settlement of claims; and

3 4. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
4 Services may use a numeric or alphanumeric designation to cross-
5 reference claims or payrolls to check warrant numbers, transfer
6 entry or optional settlement mode used in the payment thereof.

7 B. After claims or payrolls or both have been properly audited
8 and recorded against the respective contracts, purchase orders,
9 other commitments and accounts, the Division of Central Accounting
10 and Reporting shall certify such claims or payrolls to the State
11 Treasurer for payment.

12 C. It shall be the responsibility of the Division of Central
13 Accounting and Reporting to determine that:

14 1. All material legal requirements concerning the expenditure
15 of monies involved in each claim or payroll have been complied with;

16 2. Funds have been properly and legally allotted for the
17 payment of the claim or payroll; and

18 3. A sufficient balance exists for the payment of same.

19 D. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
20 Services or bonded employees in the Division of Central Accounting
21 and Reporting authorized by the Director shall certify to the State
22 Treasurer that the claim or payroll has been approved for payment.

23 E. 1. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
24 Services shall be authorized to establish necessary agency

1 disbursing funds to efficiently accommodate the cash flow
2 requirements of applicable federal regulations, bond indebtedness
3 and other directives deemed appropriate by the Director.

4 2. Agencies operating such disbursing funds are authorized to
5 establish a preaudit and settlement system for claims or payments or
6 both relating to the purposes of the stated directives.

7 3. The State Treasurer shall establish procedures for the state
8 in accordance with Federal Banking and National Automated Clearing
9 House Association standards and agencies shall be required to
10 utilize automated clearing house procedures established by the State
11 Treasurer.

12 4. No individual or entity shall be required to have a bank
13 account unless required by federal law or federal regulation.

14 5. Agencies shall be further required to present these
15 transactions to the Office of Management and Enterprise Services in
16 a summarized format and shall include any accounting information
17 necessary as determined by the Director of the Office of Management
18 and Enterprise Services including, but not limited to, information
19 related to federal law.

20 6. Administrative expenditures shall not be eligible for these
21 procedures.

22 7. The efficiency of the payment system shall be considered
23 when the interest earnings of the state are not diminished.
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1 F. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
2 Services shall be authorized to process payments for federal tax
3 withholding without claim forms. The Director shall establish a
4 separate fund for the purpose of accumulating federal income tax
5 withholding from payrolls and remitting same to the United States
6 Treasury. Institutions under the administrative authority of the
7 Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education which are responsible
8 for processing payments for federal tax withholding shall be
9 authorized to process such payments without claim forms.

10 G. 1. The Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise
11 Services shall be authorized to process, without claim forms,
12 interest payments to the U.S. Treasury as required by federal law.

13 2. Agencies are responsible for the accrual of such interest
14 liability of the state and shall provide payment to the Office of
15 Management and Enterprise Services in the amount and method
16 prescribed by the Director of the Office of Management and
17 Enterprise Services.

18 3. Any liability of the U.S. Treasury as determined by federal
19 law shall be deposited in the State Treasury and transferred by the
20 Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services to the
21 General Revenue Fund of the state subsequent to final determination
22 and necessary audit resolution.

23 H. Payments disbursed from the State Treasury shall be conveyed
24 solely through an electronic payment mechanism. The State Treasurer

1 may provide an exemption from the provisions of this subsection,
2 with cause, provided the number of exempted payments and a
3 corresponding list of causes shall be published in a regularly
4 updated report which is featured prominently on the State
5 Treasurer's website.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.

7 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
8 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
9 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
10 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREER TECH,
13 dated 02/11/2015 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.
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