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## **II. Executive Comments**

## EXECUTIVE COMMENTS

The Commission on Streamlining Government report released in December 2009 contained 238 recommendations affecting almost all areas of state government. They serve as options for the Administration and the Legislature to consider. The recommendations included:

- (1) Eliminating activities, entities, statutory dedications, and programs that were determined to be outdated, duplicative, or outside of the scope of results sought.
- (2) Privatizing or outsourcing activities that yielded greater savings and service to citizens.
- (3) Initiating efficiencies through the integration of technology.
- (4) Improving effectiveness and efficiency in state government employment.

Projected savings from the recommendations were estimated in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

### *As October 2011:*

- (1) 62 Commission recommendations have been completed in that they were brought to an end or fully carried out.

[#12, 15, 18, 20, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 37, 40, 41, 44, 70, 76, 77, 78, 83, 108, 112, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 133, 135, 136, 137, 138, 171, 176, 177, 180, 185, 186, 187, 188, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 196, 205, 206, 211, 212, 213, 216, 225, and 238]

- (2) 105 Commission recommendations have been implemented, put into practice, or in the process of being put into practice.

[#1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 19, 22, 23, 25, 29, 33, 38, 42, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 55, 56, 57, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 75, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 96, 97, 100, 103, 105, 107, 109, 110, 114, 115, 131, 134, 139, 140, 141, 143, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 152, 153, 154, 155, 159, 160, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 169, 170, 172, 174, 175, 178, 189, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 204, 209, 210, 215, 217, 218, 219, 220, 223, 228, 229, 233, 234, and 237]

- (3) 62 Commission recommendations have not been acted upon as either required legislation was not enacted or the recommendations were determined to be cost prohibitive.

- (a) NO ACTION

[#26, 53, 58, 59, 60, 61, 65, 79, 80, 81, 98, 102, 106, 111, 144, 179, 181, 182, 184, 208, 214, 222, 226, 230, 231, 232, 235, and 236]

(b) NO ACTION - Legislation required.

[#21, 24, 52, 54, 71, 84, 101, 134, 151, 158, 161, 173, 183, 195, 203, 207, 221, and 227]

(c) NO ACTION - Cost.

[#8, 14, 16, 17, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, 43, 86, 91, 95, 99, 104, 113, 142, 143, and 168]

(4) 9 Commission recommendations are under continuing agency consideration or evaluation.

[#66, 82, 85, 130, 132, 145, 156, 157, and 224]

**Of the Commission recommendations that have been completed or implemented with significant fiscal impact, the following are particularly noteworthy:**

# 215 - Each agency to review historic vacancy and attrition rates and make strategic reductions in positions by 5%. ***Reduction of \$121M in FY10, \$169.5M in FY 11, and \$151M in FY12***

#9 - Department of Health and Hospitals to transition Medicaid to an integrated delivery system with care coordination. ***\$135M saving in 2013***

# 166 - All agencies to engage in a thorough review of private contracts to identify underperforming and low-priority contracts. ***\$96.4M reduction in budget authority in FY12***

# 25 - The governor and the legislature authorize and direct the LSU Health System to adopt the recommendations of Alvarez and Marsal for the operation of the interim Charity Hospital in New Orleans and contract for similar assessments in the other nine charity hospitals. ***\$64.3M saving (FY 10, 11, and 12 total)***

# 10 - Department of Health and Hospitals to solicit qualified providers to partially privatize centers for the developmentally disabled by transferring residents to private centers or transitioning them to community based services. Further the department to consolidate state run centers. ***\$37.7M saving in FY11***

#237 - Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Corrections Services, to explore legislation and rulemaking to identify any administrative efficiencies and potential cost savings. ***\$26.4M reduction (FY11 and FY12 total)***

#13 - Department of Health and Hospitals to review RFP to privatize community homes, independent living clients and extended family living. ***\$19.3M reduction (FY10, 11 and 12 total)***

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#137 - Create Office of Behavioral Health within Department of Health and Hospitals to replace the current Office of Mental Health and Office of Addictive Disorders.

***\$19M reduction in SGF in FY 11***

#7 - Department of Revenue to increase number of auditors through employee definitions to increase compliance.

***\$11.65M in revenue***

#160 - Eliminate certain unfilled positions within the executive branch of state government in response to Executive Order No. BJ2009-11.

***\$5.6M in SGF and \$15.3M Total MOF reduction in FY 12***

#20 - Department of Social Services should implement on average a 1:8 supervisor-employee report ratio. NOTE: Department reorganized and renamed.

***\$10M savings***

#88 - Direct the Office of Juvenile Justice to privatize health care services in secure care through an RFP.

***\$9.15M reduction in FY12 compared to FY10***

#12 - Department of Health and Hospitals to consolidate operated in-patient health services in Greater New Orleans area.

***\$9M saving in FY 10***

#31 - Department of Environmental Quality to reduce the workforce TO by 20 through ongoing streamlining opportunities as determined by the Secretary.

***\$8.3M saving since FY 10 (Environmental Trust Fund)***

#159 - Reduce the state automobile fleet by at least 10% in FY 10, FY 11, and FY 12.

***\$2M saving in maintenance; \$3M sale revenue***