

Louisiana Streamlining Commission

Suggested Recommendations to Advisory Committee Chairmen

Preamble:

The following comments on this cover sheet have been prepared at the Mercatus Center by Hon. Maurice McTigue. The purpose of the analysis was to identify issues that the committee might pursue and finally develop into recommendations to the full commission.

- The suggested recommendations are based on very limited information and the committee's local knowledge may determine that the suggestions are not viable. In that case the Committee should discard the suggested recommendation.
- If the Committee thinks the suggestion has merit then they should refer it to officials for their analysis.
- Some of our suggestions may be recommending a practice that is already in place, in which case the recommendation may be put aside or may be worded to endorse that practice or to extend it further than is the current practice.

Office of Attorney General:

- We have no comments on this office

Savings:

- We did not identify savings in this appropriation.

Please provide the information requested on the attached form for each program in your agency and return to the Commission by September 8, 2009.



The Streamlining Government Commission would appreciate your assistance by having you complete the following worksheet. We understand that some of this information is available online and possibly in other documents, but we believe that it is important that you provide this data to ensure that you know what the Commission is reviewing regarding your Department, Agency, or Office. In order to review and compile the data before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission, please complete and return these worksheets to prathert@legis.state.la.us by September 8, 2009. Thank you for your cooperation.

Department name: Office of Attorney General
State in one sentence the core business of your department: We are the Attorney;/Legal Counsel for the State of Louisiana.

For each program managed by your agency, provide the following information. Please limit your answers for each program to no more than half a page and simply write “unknown” next to each program question you are unable to answer.

- **Program name:**
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 - Administrative Services Division, Executive Division, Civil Division, Criminal Division (Investigative Division), Gaming, Public Protection, and Litigation

- **Outcome addressed by this program:**
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 - We strive to provide superior public legal representation, professional and effective investigations, and assertive public advocacy to the State of Louisiana in the most efficient and cost effective manner possible.

- **How many members of the public are directly involved in or affected by this program:**

In any given year, the members of the public affected vary dramatically.

- **How much money was expended on this program in the last fiscal year (The most recent data available are acceptable even if they are from FY 07-08):**

\$48,696,389.39

- **Measure used to determine success:**

Some of the success experienced by this office is evidenced in the number of criminal cases received and prosecuted; number of investigations opened and completed ; number of constituent requests received and resolved; number of litigation cases received and completed; number of Attorney General opinions requested and issued. However, not everything the office does can be quantified.

- **Level of success during each of the last three years:**

Attorney General Caldwell feels that our success level is very high. However, every day he strives for better performance and results from everyone on staff.

- The societal issue addressed by this program is getting *better, remaining static, or deteriorating*:

The portion of our work that does directly affect society is improving.