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Via regular mail and email

The Honorable Bud Cook
Room B13 Main Capitol
Pa House of Representatives
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: Washington County's Local Share Account (LSA)

Dear Representative Cook:

Thank you for your recent letter to Auditor General DeFoor regarding a potential audit of the Washington County Local Share Account (LSA). I have shared your letter with Auditor General DeFoor to ensure he is up to date with the issues you detailed.

As you noted and as we discussed in our meeting on January 30th, we would face substantial difficulty auditing the LSA funds. For the time being, we are prioritizing other audits that we feel will produce measurable results for all Pennsylvania taxpayers.

Like you, we are very excited about the prospects of subpoena power authority legislation being considered by the General Assembly during this legislative session. Please understand that while we welcome further conversation, passage of this legislation does not guarantee an audit of the Washington County LSA from our Department.

Thank you for writing. As always, do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions or concerns that you would like to discuss.

Sincerely,

John Hershey
Legislative Director