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LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED FOR AUDIT OF LOUISIANA'S ELECTION INTEGRITY MEASURES

BATON ROUGE, La. — The National State Auditor's Association has named the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's report on the Department of State's election integrity procedures as its 2023 Small Performance Audit Excellence in Accountability Award winner.

The Louisiana Legislative Auditor's team, led by Michael Waguespack, conducted an exhaustive review of Louisiana's election integrity policies in 2021, leading up to a comprehensive report issued in March 2022 that concluded, "Overall, we found that the Louisiana Department of State has procedures and practices in place to ensure election integrity."

"Legislative Auditor Michael Waguespack and his team are most deserving of this award for their thoroughness and professionalism in reviewing our election integrity efforts, and I sincerely thank them for their hard work," Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin said. "Their report detailed the extensive efforts our office, our local election partners, and election workers across the state undertake to ensure that Louisiana's elections are safe, secure, and accurate. Their report has been most helpful in correcting the myths surrounding our great elections, which have been lauded by others like the Heritage Foundation and Electoral Integrity Project."

The 2022 report, entitled "Louisiana Department of State – Election Integrity," can be found [here](#).

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