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## **Auditor Mike Harmon Announces Auditor's Office Receives Highest Rating From External Peer Review**

*Peer review of APA resulted a rating of Pass*

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (October 31, 2016)** – Mike Harmon, Kentucky Auditor of Public Accounts, today announced his office received the highest rating possible following a peer review by auditors from other states as part of the National State Auditors Association (NSAA) peer review program. The peer review audit was conducted last week, and Auditor Harmon's office received notice of the results on Friday.

"Many Kentuckians know we conduct audits of all levels of government in the Commonwealth, but some may wonder who audits the auditors. In this case, it is our peers from other states," said Auditor Harmon. "I'm pleased our office received a "Pass", which is the highest rating possible in a peer review. Attaining the highest level possible is a testament to the outstanding professionalism and high quality of staff we have within the Auditor's office."

Kentucky's Auditor of Public Accounts receives a peer review once every three years, as required by government auditing standards. A peer review provides an independent assessment of whether the audit organization has an adequately designed internal quality control system, and if they are compliant with that system. The peer review system for state audit organizations was started by NSAA in 1985.

To read the full peer review report, go [www.auditor.ky.gov](http://www.auditor.ky.gov).

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