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State Comptroller Nieshalla Leads Roundtable Discussion

STATEHOUSE - Indiana State Comptroller Elise Nieshalla gathered local government leaders from around the state for a roundtable discussion geared toward process, training and cybersecurity enhancements. This event is a forum for the Comptroller and representatives from several associations of local officials to further collaborate in their partnership to distribute tax revenues in service to Hoosiers. As a former local official, Comptroller Nieshalla understands the importance of the relationship between state and local government and says having open and ongoing dialogue is key to successful public service.

“By seeking the expertise of local government leaders, we gain valuable insights into their specific challenges and how our office can best be at their service,” said State Comptroller Nieshalla. “I look forward to incorporating the feedback from our meaningful discussions that provides input for meeting our future service delivery goals.”

One of the key responsibilities of the State Comptroller’s Office includes the disbursement of tax revenues to local units of government, along with the accounting and reporting of state funds, paying state employees and vendors, administering the state’s deferred compensation plan, and managing the Indiana Transparency Portal.

Collaborating with local leaders fosters the highly valued relationships between the Comptroller’s Office and local units statewide, in addition to providing information to further empower the office’s commitment of operating in a mode of continuous improvement.

Today’s discussion was focused on automating data inputs, reviewing and approving the settlement process, addressing future training needs, and cybersecurity assistance to mitigate security and fraud risks.

The roundtable attendees:

- Debra Carnes, Auditor, Hancock County
- Jennifer Flater, County Treasurer, Clay County
- Kristinia Hammack, Auditor, Perry County
- Heather Laffoon, Treasurer, Montgomery County
- Shelley Mawhorter, County Auditor, Noble County
- Carrie Mugford, Clerk-Treasurer, Town of North Manchester

- Anton Neff, County Council, Owen County
- Susan Sleeper, Auditor, DeKalb County
- Kellie Streeter, County Commissioner, Knox County
- Debbie Walker, County Auditor, Henry County
- Mike Watkins, Auditor, Gibson County

Attendees include the officers of their respective state associations or individuals recommended by their association (Indiana County Auditors, Treasurers, Commissioners, Councils Associations and Accelerate Indiana Municipalities Clerk Treasurers).

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Elise M. Nieshalla is the Indiana State Comptroller, fulfilling the duties of the Constitutional Office of State Auditor. Comptroller Nieshalla is committed to serving our state and local governments by upholding the highest standards of fiscal responsibility in the provision of accurate accounting and reporting of state funds, disbursement of tax revenues to local units of government, payment of Indiana's employees and vendors, administration of the state's deferred compensation plan and delivering financial information through the Indiana Transparency Portal.

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