

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Dear Honorable Members of the Illinois Legislature:

I have set forth on the enclosed page collection statistics for the Attorney General's Office for calendar year 2018 as required by §2 of the Uncollected State Claims Act (30 ILCS 205/2). These statistics reflect cases referred to this Office by other agencies for collection. These cases involve a variety of receivables, including taxes, damage to State property, child support, fines, and penalties. Collections for these receivables total \$332,061,369.

The attached statistics, however, do not reflect a number of important collection activities of the Attorney General's Office that do not originate with cases referred by other agencies. For example, they do not include Illinois' 2018 share of the proceeds of the settlement of the litigation instituted by this Office against the tobacco industry, which totaled \$306,796,475. Likewise, these statistics do not include the Illinois Estate Tax which is administered directly by the Attorney General. During 2018, the Office issued 1,174 certificates of tax determination and discharge reflecting estate tax revenues in the amount of \$315,087,209.

Also not reported is the \$37.25 million that Illinois pension systems received from settlements with Royal Bank of Scotland and Wells Fargo arising from alleged misrepresentations made in their marketing and sale of residential mortgage-backed securities leading up to the 2008 economic collapse. When the totals from these latter categories are added to the numbers described in the first paragraph, the combined collections for the Office of the Attorney General in 2018 total \$991,195,053.

Sincerely,

Kwame Raoul

Enclosure

2018 ANNUAL DEBT COLLECTION REPORT

Total Number of Cases Referred to the
Attorney General: 18,764

Total Amount of Collections Referred to the
Attorney General: \$57,495,431

Total Payments Received by the Attorney
General on Collection Cases: \$332,061,369

Breakdown of Number of Collection Cases Referred in 2018

Agency	# of Cases Referred
Central Management Services	66
Commerce & Economic Opportunity	1
Corrections	4
Drycleaner Environmental Response Trust Fund	3
Employment Security	872
Healthcare & Family Services	16,992
Human Rights	6
Human Services	283
Labor	21
Military Affairs	T ₁
Natural Resources	2
Public Health	2
Revenue	185
Secretary of State	36
State Employees' Retirement System	4
Transportation	253
Treasurer	1
Workers' Compensation Commission	32
TOTAL	18,764