

AGENDA ITEM

ITEM III.A

DATE: April 19, 2016

TO: Members, Audit Committee

FROM: Leah Wilson, Chief Operating Officer

SUBJECT: Receive and Order Filed the Audited Financial Statements for Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 6145 and 6222, the State Bar is required to submit a copy of the audited financial statements by April 30th of each year to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, and to the Assembly and Senate Committees on Judiciary.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Business and Professions Code Section 6145 requires the State bar to undergo an annual financial statement audit by an accounting firm that meets certain qualifications. The audit is to be completed and submitted to the Legislature and Supreme Court before April 30th each year. The State Bar's fiscal year end is December 31st.

The State Bar's financial statements for years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 audit was performed by Moss Adams, LLP and is presented to the Audit Committee to receive and order filed. The Audit Committee is authorized to review the draft financial statements and authorize staff to submit them to the Legislature and Supreme Court on behalf of the Board.

This action will be reported to the Board on its consent agenda at the regularly scheduled May Board meeting.

FISCAL/PERSONNEL IMPACT

None

RULE AMENDMENTS

None

BOARD BOOK IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

In order to meet the Bar's statutory filing deadline of April 30th, staff requests that the Board receive the independent auditor's report for the financial statements for years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 and orders the report filed with the Supreme Court and the Assembly and Senate Judiciary Committees.

PROPOSED AUDIT COMMITTEE RESOLUTION:

Should the Committee concur with staff's recommendation, the following resolution would be in order:

RESOLVED, that the Audit Committee hereby receives and orders filed the independent Auditor's Report for the financial statements for years ended December 31, 2015 and 2014 prepared by Moss Adams, LLP in the form this day before the Committee.