



State of North Carolina Office of the State Controller

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STATE CONTROLLER

January 21, 2016

Vicki Walquist
Correctional Peace Officers Foundation
1346 North Market Blvd.
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Dear Ms. Walquist:

In 2014, the General Assembly modified G.S. 143B-426A.40A(g) to require the State Auditor to verify and certify the membership rolls of employee associations to ensure continued eligibility for the payroll deduction program. To comply with this legislation, [House Bill 1133 – Section 62.(b) (Technical Corrections Bill)], the State Auditor last month released the “Employee Associations – Report of Membership Count” for the year ended December 31, 2014.

The State Auditor’s report concluded that the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation reported 1,465 members and 1,465 total members on payroll deduction. As amended, and according to G.S. 143B-426A.40A(g), payroll deduction is allowed only if your association has at least 2,000 members.

Given that the information in the State Auditor’s report was current as of December 31, 2014, I am writing to inquire if you have more current information or if the 1,465 membership figure is still correct. Please provide this information to me (at the address below or via email at linda.combs@osc.nc.gov) or to the State Auditor (20601 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-0600, or via email at Beth.Wood@ncauditor.net, and phone 919.807.7526) by February 1, 2016.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Linda Combs

cc: State Auditor Beth Wood
Joe Prater, NCDPS Representative for CPO Foundation