



MEMORANDUM

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To: Members, Legislative Post Audit Committee
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 Subject: **Follow up on 2022 IT security audit findings**

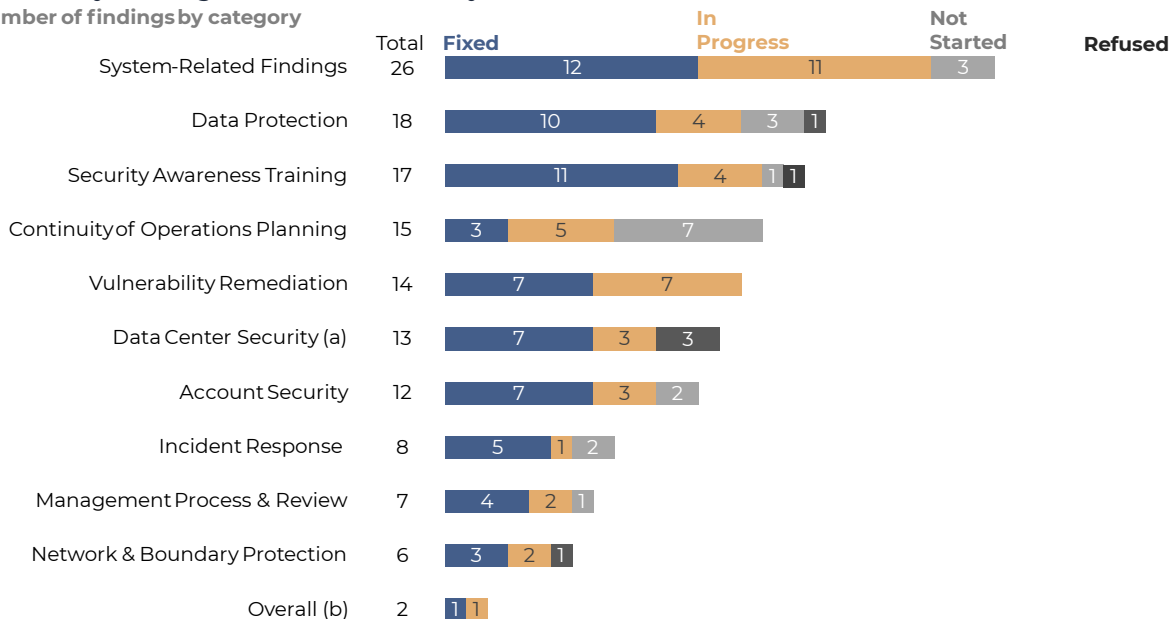
As the committee knows, our office performs IT security audits of individual state agencies on a three-year cycle. In calendar year 2022, we performed security audits on 5 entities: Parsons State Hospital, Office of the Attorney General, Department of Labor, Great Bend School District (USD 428), and University of Kansas Medical Center.

In 2022, we identified 138 findings across the 5 entities. We asked officials to report their efforts to address findings in our original IT security audits. We evaluated the entities' responses and categorized their efforts as 'fixed', 'in progress,' 'not started,' or 'refused' (findings entities decided not to address). We did not verify the actions officials reported.

Auditees reported to have fixed a total of 70 (51%) findings, and they were in the process of fixing an additional 43 (31%) findings. The graph below summarizes entities' reported progress by area.

Summary of Progress for 5 IT Security Audits in 2022

number of findings by category



(a) Due to physical distancing requirements related to COVID-19, we only evaluated 4 entities in this area.

(b) This category includes recommendations to resolve root cause issues.

Source: LPA summary of entity self-reported data