STATE OF OHIO HOUSE BILL 66 – AUDITOR’S FRAUD HOTLINE

In 2003, the State Auditor, Betty Montgomery, created the Auditor of the State’s Fraud hotline. This hotline was established to give all Ohioans a means to report government fraud. House Bill 66 provides changes to this hotline.

- All Ohio community offices, including schools, must inform all employees of this hotline and must also inform all newly hired employees of this hotline.
- Within 30 days of their employment, all newly hired employees must acknowledge in writing that they received the information on this hotline.
- This bill extends "whistle-blower protection." Any State of Ohio employee who reports a potentially fraudulent issue to the hotline will be protected against any retaliatory or disciplinary actions.

Detailed information on House Bill 66 is available on the Internet at http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_66. To report fraud either online or by phone, please visit the Ohio Auditor of State Web site http://www.auditor.state.oh.us/fraudcenter/default.htm.
Acknowledgement of receipt of Auditor of State fraud-reporting system information

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 117.103(B)(1), a public office shall provide information about the Ohio fraud-reporting system and the means of reporting fraud to each new employee upon employment with the public office.

Each new employee has thirty days after beginning employment to confirm receipt of this information.

By signing below you are acknowledging that Bowling Green State University provided you information about the fraud-reporting system as described by Section 117.103(A) of the Revised Code, and that you read and understand the information provided. You are also acknowledging you have received and read the information regarding Section 124.341 of the Revised Code and the protections you are provided as a classified or unclassified employee if you use the before-mentioned fraud-reporting system.

I __________________________, have read the information provided by my employer regarding the fraud-reporting system operated by the Ohio Auditor of State’s office. I further state that the undersigned signature acknowledges receipt of this information.

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PRINT NAME, TITLE, AND DEPARTMENT

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PLEASE SIGN NAME

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DATE