

Jeffery S. Shapiro, Massachusetts Inspector General

The Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General (OIG) was created in 1981 and is the first state-wide inspector general's office in the nation. Jeffrey S. Shapiro was sworn in as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' fifth Inspector General in October 2022.

Under his leadership, the OIG has expanded access to training for municipalities on procurement, local boards and commissions governance, contract administration, proper use and management of federal pandemic relief funds and fraud prevention. IG Shapiro has supported common sense changes in the state's procurement law, helped craft legislation to streamline procurement of electric school buses and called for legislative changes in the state retirement system and safety oversight of the MBTA. Additionally, the OIG has conducted numerous investigations that were initiated proactively or as a result of the thousands of tips or complaints made to the office through its two hotlines. The investigations ranged from misuse of pandemic funds, irregularities in the handling of cash by municipal employees, fraudulent overtime payments to state police, overpayment for education incentives by a local police department and reviews of contracts for public school bus transportation, transit police dispatch services, and in-station customer service.