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## **Commission Adopts Policies Regarding Payment of Compensation**

On May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017, Governor Henry McMaster signed House Bill H.3441 which amends Title 42 by adding § 42-9-450. This new statute allows payment of compensation to be made by check or electronic payment systems, but requires the payments to be made "in accordance with the policies, procedures, or regulations as provided by the commission". S.C. Code Ann. § 42-9-450.

The Commission has proposed changes to Regulation 67-1602 which will provide the framework for how parties can go about using electronic payment systems. However, the proposed changes to the regulations did not become law this year, and will be before the General Assembly in January 2018.

At the June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Commission Business Meeting, the Commissioners issued an <u>Administrative Order</u> adopting policies and procedures regarding the payment of compensation pursuant to § 42-9-450 of the S.C. Code of Laws.

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