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SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

1333 Main Street, 5th Floor
Columbia, South Carolina 29201
November 9, 2026
10:30 a.m.

Meeting to be held in Hearing Room A

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1.	CALL TO ORDER	CHAIRMAN BECK
2.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA OF BUSINESS MEETING OF NOVEMBER 9, 2026	CHAIRMAN BECK
3.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING OCTOBER 12, 2026 (Tab 1)	CHAIRMAN BECK
4.	APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL TO SELF-INSURE (Tab 2) A. Self-Insurance Department Report	MR. BAXLEY
5.	DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS' REPORTS	
	Administrative Services (Tab 3)	MR. BURGHARDT
	Information Services (Tab 4)	MR. PLUSS
	Insurance and Medical Services (Tab 5)	MR. DUCOTE
	Claims (Tab 6)	MS. MCREE
	Judicial (Tab 7)	MS. BRACY
6.	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Tab 8)	MS. MCREE
7.	FINANCIAL REPORT (Tab 9)	MS. MCREE
8.	OLD BUSINESS	CHAIRMAN BECK
9.	NEW BUSINESS	CHAIRMAN BECK
10.	EXECUTIVE SESSION	CHAIRMAN BECK
11.	ADJOURNMENT	CHAIRMAN BECK

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TAB 1

THE
SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS'
COMPENSATION COMMISSION
BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

October 12, 2026

A Business Meeting of the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission was held in Hearing Room A of the Workers' Compensation Commission on Monday, October 12, 2026, at 10:30 a.m. The meeting agenda was posted prior to the meeting and proper advance notice was made to all concerned parties in compliance with requirements in the Freedom of Information Act. The following Commissioners were physically present:

T. SCOTT BECK, CHAIRMAN
GENE MCCASKILL, VICE CHAIR
MELODY JAMES, COMMISSIONER
GABE COGGIOLA, COMMISSIONER
R. MICHAEL CAMPBELL, II, COMMISSIONER
CYNTHIA DOOLEY, COMMISSIONER
DEIDRA BYRD, COMMISSIONER

Present also were Kristen McRee, Executive Director; Keith Roberts, General Counsel; Amy Bracy, Judicial Director; Eric Baxley, Self-Insurance Director; Wayne Ducote, IMS Director; Jerod Burghardt, Administrative Services Director; Kris Pluss, IT Director; Francina Johnson, IT Consultant; Chicora Brown, IT Consultant; Nicole Smith, Paralegal; and Madison Seale, Staff Attorney.

Chairman Beck called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

AGENDA

Commissioner McCaskill moved that the agenda be approved. Commissioner Dooley seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – BUSINESS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2026

Commissioner McCaskill moved that the minutes of the Business Meeting of September 14, 2026, be approved. Commissioner Dooley seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

No general announcements.

SELF-INSURANCE

Ms. McRee announced Mr. Baxley's promotion as Self-Insurance Director.

Mr. Baxley presented the report in written form. Eight (8) prospective members of one (1) fund were presented to the Commission for approval. The applications under consideration were:

SC Home Builders SIF
Onstar Construction Services, LLC
Carolina Homes By Lane
Frederick Williamson
Bravo Whiskey, LLC
Aim Masonry, LLC
360 Dock & Deck, LLC
Bathrooms of Charleston, Inc.
A Niddy Griddy Cleaning Service, LLC

After examination of the applications from the prospective fund members, it was determined that the applications complied with the Commission's requirements and were recommended for approval. Commissioner James made the motion to approve the applications to self-insure. Commissioner Campbell seconded the motion to approve the applications to self-insure, and the motion was approved.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Each department report was submitted in written form and was included in the Commission's agenda booklets.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Mr. Burghardt presented his report in written form. There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

INFORMATION SERVICES

Mr. Pluss presented his report in written form. There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

INSURANCE AND MEDICAL SERVICES

Mr. Ducote presented his report in written form. There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

CLAIMS

Ms. McRee presented Ms. Spann's report in her absence. There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

JUDICIAL

Ms. Bracy presented her report in written form. There were no questions from the Commission.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. McRee presented her report in written form. There were no comments or questions from the Commission.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. McRee presented the financial report in written form. There were no questions from the Commission.

Mr. Roberts introduced the Commission's new Paralegal, Nicole Smith.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner McCaskill made the motion to approve the 2027 Full Commission Business Meeting Calendar. Commissioner Dooley seconded the motion, and the 2027 Calendar was approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Coggiola made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Campbell seconded the motion, and the motion was approved.

The October 12, 2026, meeting of the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Reported November 2, 2026
Arnisha Keitt
Executive Assistant

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TAB 3

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Workers' Compensation Commission

To: Kristen McRee, SCWCC Executive Director
From: Jerod M. Burghardt, Director of Administrative Services
Date: November 9, 2026
Subject: Administrative Department October 2026 Full Commission Report

This report summarizes the Human Resources, Finance, and other initiatives during October 2026.

I. Human Resources

The Department executed open enrollment across the Commission. We also processed 1 retirement and posted additional law clerk and lawyer positions. The Department reviewed over 300 applications during the month and participated in 13 interviews.

The Department submitted the end-of-year EEO hiring report to the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission. The Department also worked with the Department of Human Resources to provide our updated organizational chart.

II. Finance

The Department processed 67 invoices and 2 purchase orders.

III. Other Duties

The Commission's LinkedIn page received 358 impressions with 2 postings.

The Department also worked to clear out the basement. Currently, the only items left in the basement are the bound books from when the Commission was named the Industrial Commission.

The Department also scheduled the upgrade project meeting with the primary contractor and the building manager to develop a phased plan to upgrade all carpets and paint throughout the Commission suite.

IV. Training

The department has scheduled the next All Managers Training on December 10 at 9 am.

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To: Kristen McRee, SCWCC Executive Director
From: Kris Pluss, IT Director
Date: November 2, 2026
Subject: IT Department October 2026 Full Commission Report

This report summarizes the activities and accomplishments in the IT Department during October 2026.

I. Agency Support:

WCC IT met with Progress Professional Services to discuss enhancing password requirements for external stakeholders using eCase. These include: password complexity, password length, automatic password reset requirements, additional authentication, and the ability for eCase users to self-manage the reset process.

Help Desk Tickets Created in October 2026:

Tickets that were assigned a priority of Low/Medium	**66**
Tickets that were assigned a priority of High	**4**
Ticket(s) that were assigned a priority of Urgent	**0**
Total amount of Help Desk tickets created during October 2026	**70**

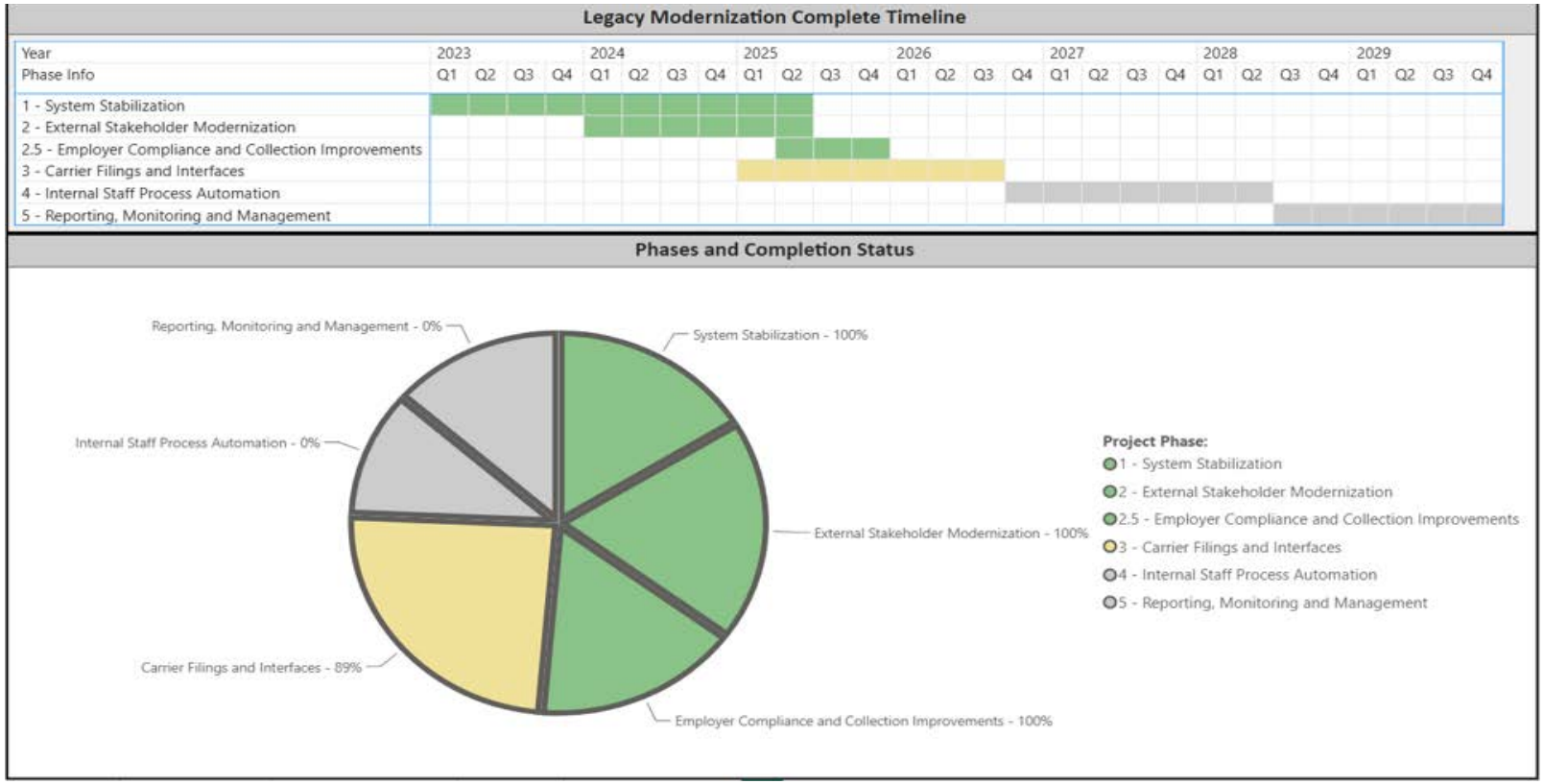
II. Systems Operations, Maintenance and Support:

Legacy Modernization Project:

Phase 3.5 Update – The final changes were updated in the eCase production environment, and this will allow stakeholders that requested a specific hearing type with a Form 21 to request to cancel that scheduled hearing. An advisory notice was sent via Constant Contact. Additional hearing types will be added based on internal and external stakeholder feedback.

Percent of Legacy Modernization Completed by Phase

Phase 3.5 / Carrier Filings and Interfaces



- Complete EDI 3.1 migration to Verisk.
- Build Report Server to allow on-demand updates to pre-built reports.
- Creation of an Interim Commission process in eCase, Progress and OnBase for District 7.
- Cancel Scheduled Hearing Request in eCase for External Stakeholders.

Verisk EDI Automated Filings:

94.95% of filings by the carriers were accepted by Verisk in October 2026.

eFile / ePay Submissions:

Percent of Change from Previous Month:

Type	Sep	Oct	Percent Change
Total Unique Submissions	**5,273**	**5,238**	**-1%**
Payment	**1,870**	**1,917**	**3%**
No Payment	**3,403**	**3,321**	**-2%**
Total Amount Paid Online	**$175,304**	**$150,555**	**-14%**
Fees	**$84,600**	**$87,800**	**4%**
Fines	**$87,450**	**$61,400**	**-30%**
Other	**$3,254**	**$1,355**	**-58%**

Online Activity – Monthly and YTD:

IT Report Detail	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual Total
Online Submissions (eFile)													**Online Filings**
Total Unique Submissions	4,168	4,248	5,148	4,843	4,318	4,723	4,769	4,949	5,273	5,238			47,677
Submissions with Payment	1,333	1,308	1,814	1,509	1,424	1,572	1,625	1,728	1,870	1,917			16,100
Submissions with No Payment	2,835	2,940	3,334	3,334	2,894	3,151	3,144	3,221	3,403	3,321			31,577
Judicial Pleadings (Online vs. Physical)													**Judicial Pleadings**
Claimant Pleadings													**Claimant Only**
Total Claimant Pleadings	649	532	664	628	655	660	603	674	636	700			6,401
Percent Claimant Online	61%	65%	64%	64%	63%	66%	65%	68%	68%	69%			65%
Percent Claimant Physical	19%	17%	14%	15%	14%	18%	14%	14%	15%	13%			35%
Defense Pleadings													**Defense Only**
Total Defense Pleadings	269	233	252	309	260	293	230	276	238	257			2,617
Percent Defense Online	63%	58%	63%	61%	70%	69%	71%	74%	87%	91%			70%
Percent Defense Physical	30%	36%	29%	31%	21%	23%	18%	19%	8%	4%			30%
Combined Pleadings (Claimant + Defense)													**Combined Pleadings**
Total Combined Pleadings	918	765	916	937	915	953	833	950	874	957			9,018
Online Payments (ePay)													**Online Payments**
Total Amount Paid Online	$107,910	$696,744	$447,559	$137,369	$128,690	$126,205	$131,255	$158,255	$175,304	$150,555			$2,259,846
Payments for Fees and Fines	$106,575	$100,175	$151,375	$132,968	$127,035	$124,750	$129,825	$157,175	$172,050	$149,200			$1,351,128
Fees	$60,500	$59,925	$79,125	$64,600	$62,450	$70,950	$73,800	$76,500	$84,600	$87,800			$720,250
Fines	$46,075	$40,250	$72,250	$68,368	$64,585	$53,800	$56,025	$80,675	$87,450	$61,400			$630,878
Other Payments	$1,335	$596,569	$296,184	$4,401	$1,655	$1,455	$1,430	$1,080	$3,254	$1,355			$908,718

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State of South Carolina

Workers' Compensation Commission

MEMORANDUM

Date: November 3, 2026

To: Kristen McRee
Executive Director

From: Wayne Ducote
Insurance & Medical Services Director

RE: Monthly Insurance & Medical Services Report for October 2026

Please find attached the statistical report for the Insurance and Medical Services Department for the month of October 2026.

In addition to the statistical data provided, please be advised of the following:

Coverage Division
The Coverage Division had 35 new registrants for notification of lapse in coverage within our coverage notification system. No lapse in coverage notifications were sent.

The Coverage Division processed 2,004 Form 12As submitted electronically through the Verisk system and processed 221 manually filed Form 50s into the Verisk system.

Compliance Division
The Compliance Division only created 208 new DEW compliance investigation files. Of those 208 files, 36 files were closed immediately due to coverage being located. The remaining 172 files were opened for further investigation, and notifications were sent to employers.

The Compliance Division collected $55,350 in non-compliance penalties and compelled 48 employers to come into compliance with the Act, which resulted in 356 more employees now covered by workers' compensation insurance than were previously covered.

There were no carriers docketed for a Rule to Show Cause hearing in October.

Medical Services Division

The Medical Services Division resolved 14 formal medical bill disputes and completed 13 medical bill reviews. Additionally, the Medical Services Division had 282 contacts with stakeholders via emails and phone calls.

While this summary is in no way all-inclusive, it may serve to assist you and our Commissioners in understanding the key measures by which the Department's effectiveness can be gauged. The Insurance and Medical Services Department welcomes any guidance that you or the Commissioners can provide concerning our performance and direction.

Department of Insurance & Medical Services
South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission
October 2026 Monthly Report

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	YTD Total FY26-27	YTD Total FY25-26	% Chg FY26
COMPLIANCE															
Total Cases Active at Beginning of Period	688	695	744	639									2,766	1,368	102%
Total Cases Initiated	247	304	75	219									845	1,152	-27%
Total Cases Closed	240	255	180	161									836	1,037	-19%
Total Cases Active at End of Period	695	744	639	697									2,775	1,483	87%
Cases from F50/12A/other	20	21	12	11									64	87	-26%
Cases from DEW	221	264	56	208									749	981	-24%
Cases from Carriers	15	15	0	0									30	82	-63%
Total Fines Assessed	$ 102,861	$ 142,250	$ 94,750	$ 87,750									$ 427,611	$ 374,491	14%
- DEW / Coverage / Miscellaneous	$ 102,861	$ 142,250	$ 94,750	$ 87,750									$ 427,611	$ 367,241	16%
- Underlying claim / uninsured employer	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -									$0	$ 7,250	
Total Fines Collected	$ 83,985	$ 98,200	$ 106,500	$ 55,350									$ 344,035	$ 371,191	-7%
- DEW / Coverage / Miscellaneous	$ 83,985	$ 98,100	$ 106,500	$ 55,350									$ 343,935	$ 361,441	-5%
- Underlying claim / uninsured employer	$ -	$ 100	$ -	$ -									$100	$ 9,750	-99%
Fines Waived/Rescinded/Uncollectable	$ 2,750	$ 1,500	$ -	$ 6,250									$ 10,500	$ 30,690	-66%
- Waived	$ 1,500	$ -	$ -	$ 6,250									$ 7,750	$ 18,190	-57%
- Rescinded	$ 1,250	$ 1,500	$ -	$ -									$ 2,750	$ 12,500	-78%
- Uncollectable	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -									$0	$0	
Employer RTSC Cases Docketed	0	0	4	0									4	21	-81%
Employers Compelled Into Compliance	55	92	73	48									268	179	50%
Previous Uninsured Employees Now Covered	330	599	485	356									1770	1064	66%
Carrier RTSC Cases Docketed	0	15	15	0									30	72	-58%
Carrier RTSC Cases Resolved	0	15	13	0									28	72	-61%
Carrier RTSC Fines Resolved	$ -	$ 5,200	$ 4,389	$ -									$9,589	$54,089	-82%
COVERAGE & ACCIDENT RPTG															
Employers Withdrawing From the Act	3	5	4	7									19	24	-21%
Coverage Fines Assessed	$ 33,700	$ 26,550	$ 29,350	$ 25,550									$ 115,150	$ 138,400	-17%
Coverage Fines Collected	$ 22,250	$ 20,300	$ 29,600	$ 20,850									$ 93,000	$ 95,750	-3%
Coverage Fines Waived	$ 4,200	$ 4,800	$ 7,200	$ 5,600									$ 21,800	$ 35,000	-38%
Number of 12As Filed EDI	1,929	2,092	2,022	2,004									8,047	7,706	4%
Number of 12As Filed Manually	285	292	229	221									1,027	1,051	-2%
Total Number of WCC Files Created	2,214	2,384	2,251	2,225									9,074	8,757	4%
Number of Fatalities Filed on 12As	4	8	8	10									30	27	11%
MEDICAL SERVICES															
Bills Pending at Beginning of Period	7	7	9	14									37	33	12%
Bills Received	15	13	14	11									53	31	71%
Bills to be Reviewed	22	20	23	25									90	64	41%
Bills Reviewed this Month	15	11	9	14									49	34	44%
Bills Pending at End of Period	7	9	14	11									41	30	37%
Total Stakeholder Contacts	302	206	338	282									1,128	643	75%

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Workers' Compensation Commission

MEMORANDUM

To: Kristen McRee, Executive Director

From: Sonji Spann, Claims Director

Date: November 7, 2026

Re: Claims Department November 2026 Full Commission Report

Attached is the Statistical Report for the Claims Department for the period July 1, 2026 – October 31, 2026, prepared for the Business Meeting on November 7, 2026.

The total Claims Activities for this period have decreased 4% when compared to the same period from last fiscal year. The new data in the Returned Forms categories (Forms 15-I, 15-II, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 61, clinchers & third-party settlements) accounts for 562 or 4% of the total activities.

When compared to the same period last fiscal year, the number of cases reviewed decreased by 8%; the number of cases closed decreased by 8%; the number of Total Fines Assessed decreased by 4%; and the Total Fines Paid decreased by 31%. The number of Form 18 fines assessed automatically by the IT system was the same amount.

Monthly processing data: The total number of forms received (6,453); the total number of forms returned + total number processed (6,647) This shows we processed about 3% more forms than received this month. This is because there are additional forms from the prior month that are captured in the final days before full commission. This information is for Forms 15I, 15II, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

I will be happy to answer any questions you or the Commissioners have.

Claims Department Statistcal Report
FY2026-2027

Claims Activities	July	August	Sept	Oct	FY26-27 YTD Total	FY25-26 YTD Total	% Diff from prev year
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(o)	(p)	(q)
Forms 15-I - Processed	1,123	1,070	1,199	1,036	4,428	4,734	-6%
Forms 15-I - Returned*	24	39	38	30	131	103	27%
Forms 15-II/Forms 17 Processed	741	723	750	766	2,980	3,090	-4%
Forms 15-II/Forms 17 Returned *	96	106	85	94	381	339	12%
Forms 16 for PPD Processed	64	44	48	47	203	218	-7%
Forms 16 for PPD Returned*	0	0		0	0		#DIV/0!
Forms 18 - Processed	5,070	4,740	5,023	4,988	19,821	19,421	2%
Forms 18 - Returned*	0	0			0		#DIV/0!
Forms 20 - Processed	522	519	568	543	2,152	2,367	-9%
Forms 20 - Returned*	0	0		0	0		#DIV/0!
Form 61 - Processed	748	716	681	720	2,865	2,997	-4%
Form 61 - Returned*	42	45	44	51	182	170	7%
Clinchers - Processed	700	629	706	691	2,726	2,717	0%
Clinchers - Returned*	21	25	23	25	94	73	29%
Third Party Settlements Processed	22	18	20	27	87	95	-8%
Third Party Settlements Returned*	6	7	5	9	27	3	800%
SSA Requests for Info	74	48	27	56	205	189	8%
Cases Closed Form 19 - Processed	2,192	2,047	2,141	2,170	8,550	9,299	-8%
Cases Closed Form 19 - Returned*	397	357	402	353	1,509	1,609	-6%
Cases Reviewed	3,319	3,133	3,288	2,923	12,663	13,808	-8%
Total	15,161	14,266	15,048	14,529	59,004	61,232	-4%
Total Fines Assessed	246	267	235	240	988	1025	-4%
Form 18 Fines	207	231	213	238	889	889	0%
Total Amt Paid	$ 31,400.00	$ 33,400.00	$ 35,800.00	$ 30,600.00	$ 131,200.00	$ 190,150.00	-31%

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November 2, 2026

To: Kristen McRee, Executive Director

From: Amy A. Bracy, Judicial Director

RE: Monthly Judicial Report for October 2026

During the month of October, the Judicial Department processed two hundred thirty-five (235) claim only 50s, and nine hundred fifty-seven (957) requests for hearings (claimant and defense pleadings). Comparing the numbers from the same period last year, claimant pleadings are up 4% and defense pleadings are down 8%. The department received one hundred twenty-three (123) motions, a 1% increase compared to the same period last year, and one hundred thirty-nine (139) clincher conference requests, a 17% decrease compared to the same time last year.

There were forty-seven (47) Single Commissioner hearings conducted during the past month, eight (8) pre-hearing conferences held, and seven (7) Full Commission hearings held. A total of four hundred thirty-three (433) orders (Single Commissioner orders, consent orders, and administrative orders) were served at the Single Commissioner level. Twenty-five (25) of those were decision and orders that resulted from hearings, two hundred sixty-two (262) were consent orders, and one hundred fifteen (115) were motion orders that were a result of motions ruled upon by Commissioners. The remaining thirty-one (31) orders were general administrative orders.

There were one hundred seventy-six (176) informal conferences requested during October and ninety-nine (99) were conducted.

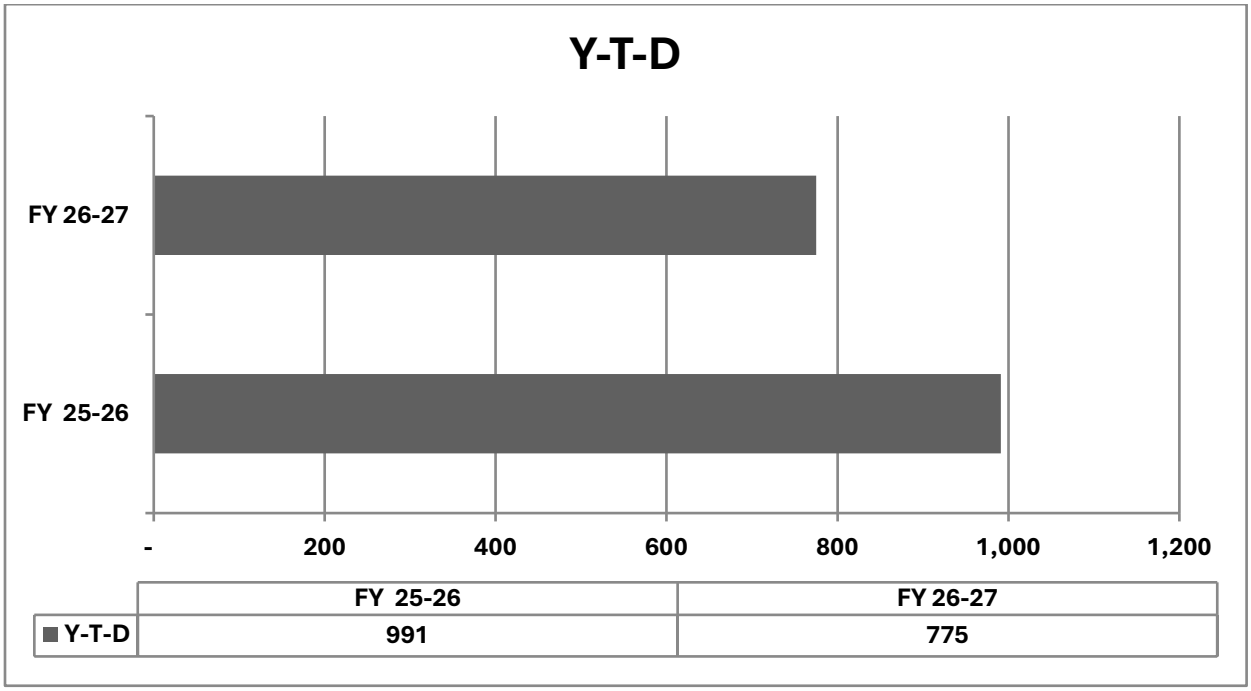
There were thirty-seven (37) regulatory mediations scheduled and eighty-five (85) requested mediations. Totals for regulatory mediations are down 9% and requested mediations are up 4% for the same period last year. The Judicial Department was notified of sixty-four (64) matters resolved in mediation, with the receipt of Forms 70. This category's total is up 13% compared to this period last year. This does not include mediations that take place outside of what is reported to the Commission.

In the month of October, there were two (2) Notices of Intent to Appeal to the Court of Appeals and zero (0) to the Circuit Court.

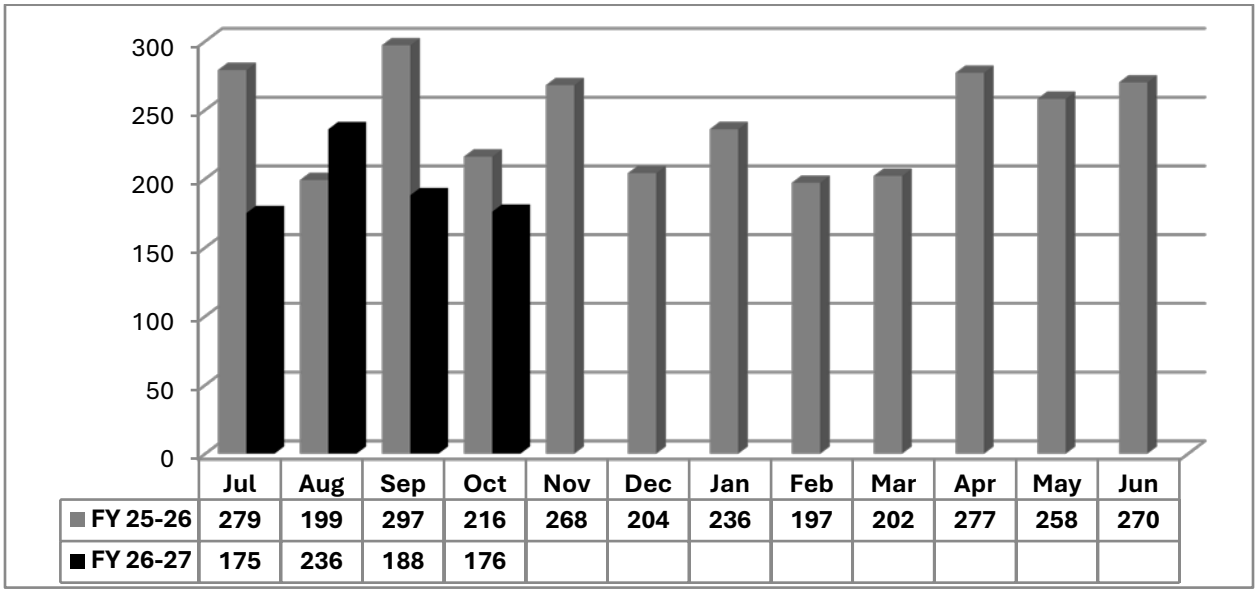
Judicial Department Statistical Report
Statistics For Fiscal Year 2026-2027 - Updated Version

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Totals YTD 2026-2027	Totals YTD 2025-2026	% Diff from prev year
Claimant Pleadings	604	674	636	700		**2,614**	**2,502**	**4%**
Claimant Pleadings - Not proper (new)	93	88	68	74		**323**	**345**	**-6%**
Defense Response to Pleadings	477	558	535	528		**2,098**	**2,045**	**3%**
Defense Pleadings	230	276	238	257		**1,001**	**1,084**	**-8%**
Defense Pleadings - Not proper (new)	52	50	61	36		**199**	**228**	**-13%**
Form 50 - Claim Only	454	383	275	235		**1,347**	**1,296**	**4%**
Letters of Representation	230	363	208	175		**976**	**691**	**41%**
Motions	125	100	114	123		**462**	**457**	**1%**
Motion - Reliefs of Counsel (new)	85	88	92	83		**348**	**341**	**2%**
Motions Improper (Motions and ROC) (new)	37	37	40	22		**136**	**170**	**-20%**
Form 30	12	4	11	5		**32**	**29**	**10%**
FC Hearings Held	2	7	4	7		**20**	**24**	**-17%**
FC Orders Served	24	6	11	9		**50**	**42**	**19%**
Single Comm. Hearings Held	49	50	62	47		**208**	**209**	**0%**
Single Comm. Orders Served	540	485	504	433		**1,962**	**2,019**	**-3%**
Single Comm. Pre-Hearing Conf Held	15	13	9	8		**45**	**55**	**-18%**
Clincher Conference Requested	118	113	134	139		**504**	**606**	**-17%**
Informal Conference Requested	175	236	188	176		**775**	**991**	**-22%**
Informal Conference Conducted	174	206	193	99		**672**	**745**	**-10%**
Regulatory Mediations	18	29	32	37		**116**	**128**	**-9%**
Requested Mediations	96	75	88	85		**344**	**331**	**4%**
Mediation Resolved	30	78	73	64		**245**	**217**	**13%**
Mediation Impasse	3	23	23	20		**69**	**79**	**-13%**
Claim Settled Prior to Mediation	22	23	13	20		**78**	**48**	**63%**
Total	3,665	3,965	3,612	3,382	-	14,624	14,682	**0%**

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT INFORMAL CONFERENCES REQUESTED YTD OCTOBER 2026

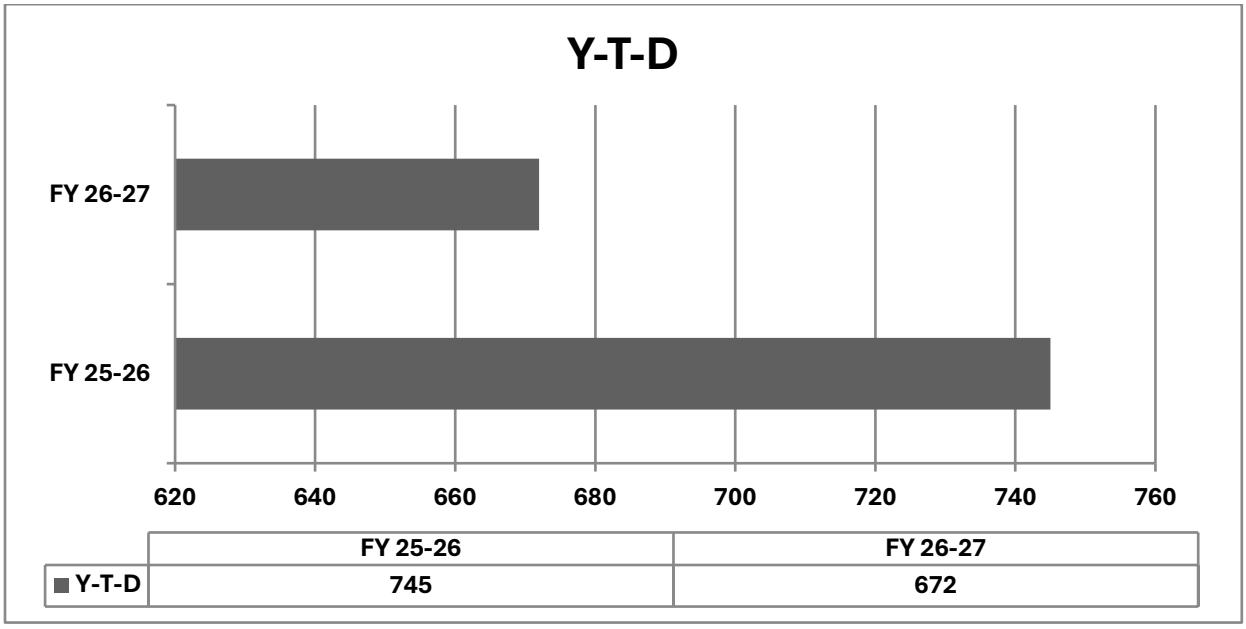


	FY 25-26	FY 26-27
Y-T-D	991	775

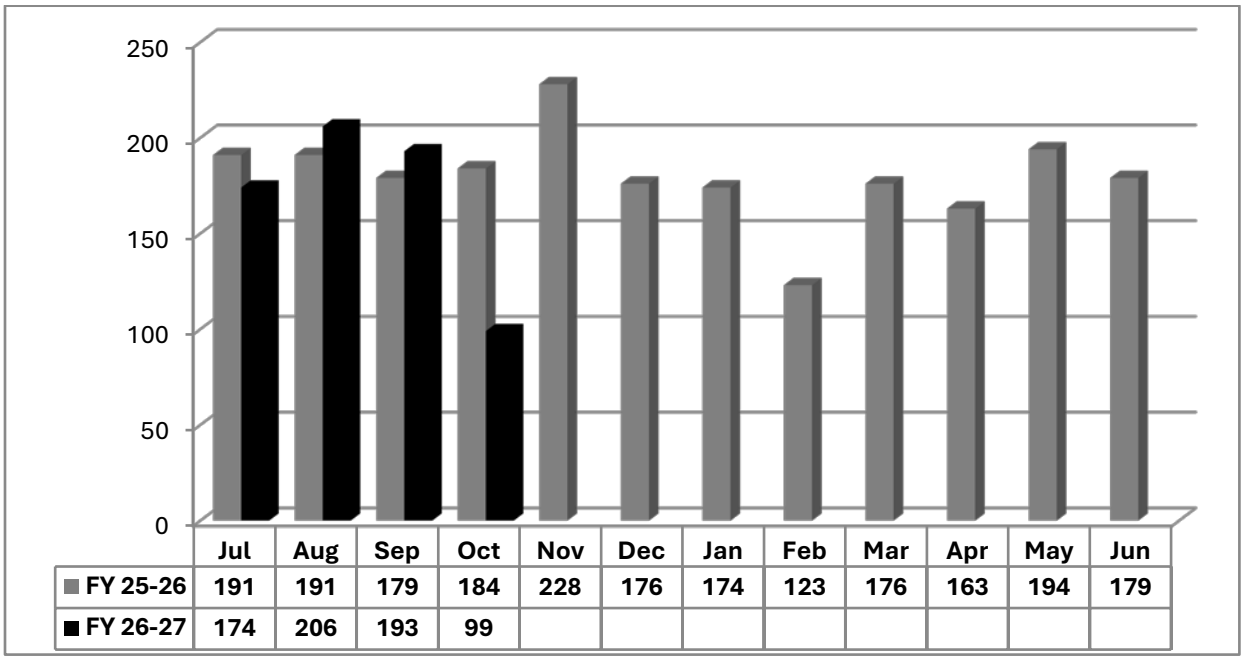


	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
FY 25-26	279	199	297	216	268	204	236	197	202	277	258	270
FY 26-27	175	236	188	176								

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT INFORMAL CONFERENCES CONDUCTED YTD OCTOBER 2026



	FY 25-26	FY 26-27
Y-T-D	745	672

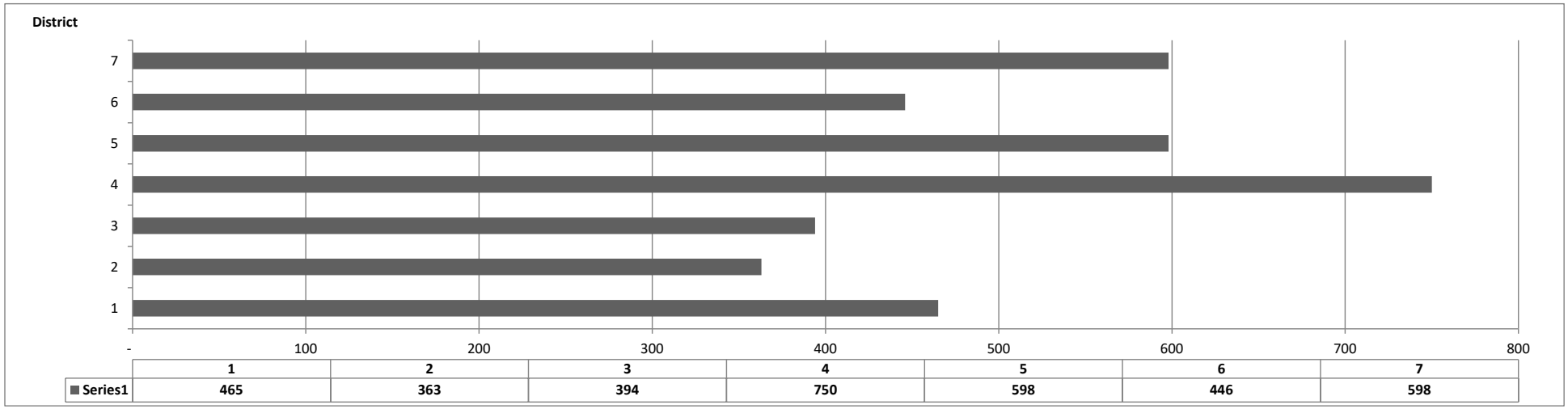


	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
FY 25-26	191	191	179	184	228	176	174	123	176	163	194	179
FY 26-27	174	206	193	99								

Pleadings Assigned - Three Year Comparison by Month

	District 1 Greenville			District 2 Anderson			District 3 Orangeburg			District 4 Charleston			District 5 Florence			District 6 Spartanburg			District 7 Richland		
	26-27	**25-26**	**24-25**	**26-27**	**25-26**	**24-25**	**26-27**	**25-26**	**24-25**	**26-27**	**25-26**	**24-25**	**26-27**	**25-26**	**24-25**	**26-27**	**25-26**	**24-25**	**26-27**	**25-26**	**24-25**
Jul	92	96	130	81	80	101	80	99	125	193	153	172	126	129	152	123	103	123	135	131	146
Aug	133	118	93	93	89	74	113	112	135	202	188	186	160	140	111	127	126	135	145	168	179
Sep	117	109	78	83	73	49	113	98	70	165	160	126	147	138	96	85	115	89	151	141	97
Oct	123	125	123	106	72	111	88	115	125	190	199	244	165	157	183	111	141	149	167	157	168
Nov		122	73		70	48		114	85		157	164		122	122		94	112		138	120
Dec		104	117		70	68		95	118		173	157		150	145		111	128		147	136
Jan		87	108		81	76		112	106		158	152		125	142		97	111		146	143
Feb		96	88		65	64		98	83		162	136		131	133		101	112		140	132
Mar		101	91		58	78		98	88		164	200		136	152		106	110		150	143
Apr		137	103		83	90		134	82		246	157		148	127		127	97		166	135
May		90	109		90	55		106	120		200	179		145	115		119	97		170	135
Jun		116	114		79	88		104	140		206	183		139	148		126	123		132	162
Totals	**465**	1,301	1,227	**363**	910	902	**394**	1,285	1,277	**750**	2,166	2,056	**598**	1,660	1,626	**446**	1,366	1,386	**598**	1,786	1,696

Pleadings Assigned by District Year to Date



TAB 8

State of South Carolina

Workers' Compensation Commission

Executive Director's Report

November 9, 2026

Meetings and Other Activities

The Executive Director's Office participated in or held the following meetings and engagements in October: a meeting with Tyler Tech for website accessibility training, an IME Ad Hoc Committee Meeting, a Joint Bond Review Committee Meeting and a State Fiscal Accountability Authority Meeting discussing the approval of the Commission's building lease, two (2) meetings with Fair Health to discuss the Commission's Medical Fee Schedule, the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Educational Association's Annual Conference (Comp Camp), a Department Director's Monthly Meeting, one candidate interview, and the Commission's Annual Employee Teambuilding Event.

Constituent /Public Information Services

For the month of October, the Executive Director's and the General Counsel's offices had ninety (90) contacts with stakeholders.

Financial Transactions and Procurement Activity

During the month of October, the Executive Director's office processed and approved eighteen (18) travel expense reports, sixty-seven (67) invoices, and thirty-six (36) deposits. All documentation related to these financial transactions was sent to Admin to process in the SCEIS system.

SCWCC Stakeholder Electronic Distribution List

For the month of October, the Executive Director's office had seven (7) deletions and five (5) additions to the distribution list.

Advisory Notices

During the month of October, the office posted two (2) notices on the Commission's website and emailed them to the distribution list. There were two (2) posts on the Commission's LinkedIn page during the month.

Vocational Rehab

There were 2,171 closed claims in the month of October; all claims were referred for disposition by Vocational Rehabilitation in November 2026.

TAB 9

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Workers' Compensation Commission

MEMORANDUM

TO: **Commissioners**

FROM: **Kristen McRee, Executive Director**

DATE: **November 9, 2026**

RE: **FINANCIAL REPORT – FY 27 Period 4 ending October 31, 2026**

Attached is the Budget vs. Actual Report for the General Fund and Earmarked Fund for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2026. The benchmark for this period is 33%.

Expenditures – General Fund – Annual Budget $6,488,858

The total expenditure for the General Fund year-to-date is $2,277,853 or 35% of the annual budget. The updated budget amount includes the Commission's appropriation of $6,096,329, $122,099 in FY 27 allocations for the 2% general pay increase and health insurance costs, and $270,430 in carryforward funds from FY26.

The balance of the funds appropriated by the General Assembly for the IT System Modernization Project has decreased 44% to $941,614 from its original balance of $1,695,084 because of expenses related to the IT Legacy System upgrades. The current fund balance includes $132,220 in commitments and $28,471 in expenditures.

The balance of the non-recurring appropriation funds for the IT System Project remains stable at $1,000,000.

Expenditures – Earmarked Fund – Annual Budget $1,714,929

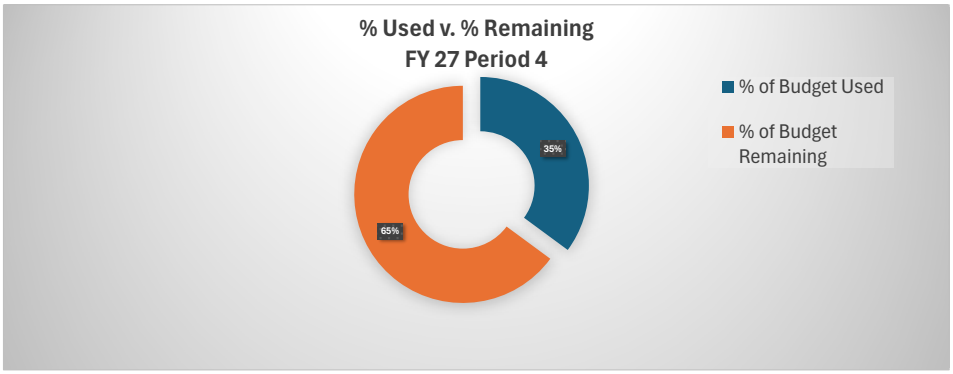
The Earmarked Fund (38440000) total expenditures year-to-date are $560,180 which is 33% of budget.

Revenues – Earmarked Annual Budget $3,008,370

The Commission posted $1,008,797 in Earmarked Fund operating revenues year-to-date, which is 34% of the annual budget.

Statement of General Fund Expenditures and Revenues Fiscal Year 2027
Period 4 Ending 10/31/2026 - 33% of year elapsed

	Fund	Commitment Item			Budget	FY27 YTD Actual	FY26 YTD Actual
Revenues							
General Fund Appropriation	10010000				$ 6,016,541	$ 6,096,329	$ 6,016,541
General Fund Adjustments	10010000	516001			$ 79,788	$ 122,099	$ 79,788
Total Revenues					**$ 6,096,329**	**$ 6,218,428**	**$ 6,096,329**
Expenditures			**Account**		**Budget**	**FY27 YTD Actual**	**FY26 YTD Actual**
	10010000	501026	Chairman		$ 198,182	$ 74,318	$ 72,861
	10010000	501033	Commissioners		$ 1,154,446	$ 403,849	$ 424,429
	10010000	501015	Director		$ 163,546	$ 61,074	$ 60,127
	10010000	501058	Classified Positions		$ 2,900,954	$ 995,446	$ 966,130
			Admin	$ 509,976			
			AA's	$ 464,052			
			Claims	$ 331,819			
			IMS	$ 435,503			
			Judicial	$ 510,003			
			Self-Insurance	$ 137,700			
			IT	$ 511,901			
Total Payroll:					**$ 4,417,128**	**$ 1,534,687**	**$ 1,523,547**
	10010000	501050	Taxable Subsistence		$ 125,000	$ 31,030	$ 31,558
	10010000	501070	Other Personnel Services		$ -	$ 37,224	$ 15,839
	10010000	5020000	Contractual Services		$ -	$ -	$ -
	10010000	503000	Supply and Material		$ -	$ 2,700	$ 42
	10010000	513000	Employer Contributions		$ 1,781,194	$ 666,812	$ 663,404
	10010000	504000	Fixed Charges and Cont			$ 5,400	$ -
			Insurance-State	$ -			
			Dues/ Membership Fees	$ -			
			Rent- Gallium	$ -			
			Rent- Interest	$ -			
Total Expenditures						**$ 2,277,853**	**$ 2,234,390**
Budget Including Carryforward Balance					**$ 270,430**	**$ 6,488,858**	
				% of Budget Used	**35%**		**37%**
				% of Budget Remaining	**65%**		**63%**



Statement of Earmarked Fund Revenues and Expenditures Fiscal Year 2027 Period 4 Ending 10/31/2026- 33% of Year Elapsed						
	Commitment Item	Account		Budget FY27	FY27 YTD Actual	FY26 YTD Revenues
Revenues						
38440000	4110090000	Hearing Fees		$ 1,164,500	$ 407,602	$ 397,298
38440000	4160040000	Self-Ins Application Fee		$ 500	$ -	-
38440000	4223030000	Filing Violations		$ 1,800,000	$ 584,015	$ 646,743
38440000	4226020000	Settlements		$ -	$ -	$ -
38440000	4350040000	Parking Fees		$ 5,500	$ 1,635	$ 2,095
38440000	4350140000	WC Appeal Fees		$ 13,500	$ 4,600	$ 3,600
38440000	4380020000	Training & Conference Registration		$ 1,000	$ -	$ -
38440000	4380050000	Photocopying Fees		$ 15,500	$ 3,446	$ 5,505
38440000	4480020000	Sale of Services		$ 3,120	$ -	$ -
38440000	4480060000	Sale of Listings and Labels		$ 4,750	$ 3,025	$ 1,550
38440000	4520010000	Refund Prior Year Expenditure		$ -	$ -	$ -
38440000	4530010000	Returned Checks		$ -	$ (600)	$ (250)
38440000	4530020000	Adjustment of Agency Deposits		$ -	$ -	
38440000	4530030000	Miscellaneous Revenue		$ -	$ 574	$ 674
38440000	4890450000	Refund of Prior Year Revenue			$ 4,500	
Total Revenues				**$ 3,008,370**	**$ 1,008,797**	**$ 1,057,215**
% of Budget Collected					**34%**	**35%**
% of Budget Outstanding					**66%**	**65%**
Expenditures	**Commitment Item**	**Account**		**Budget FY27**	**FY27 YTD Actual**	**YTD FY26 Expenditures**
38440000	501058	Classified Positions		$ -	$ 4,583	$ -
		Other Operating				
38440000	502000	Contractual Services		$ 650,000	$ 247,374	$ 254,743
		Software Development- 3rd Party	$ 6,075.00			
		Print Costs	$ -			
		Photographic Services	$ -			
		IT- Application Support- Data Network	$ 11,016.00			
		Verizon Internet	$ -			
		Verizon Hotspot	$ -			
		Segra	$ 4,083.58			
		DTO	$ 117,210.74			
		FedEX	$ 393.35			
		Verizon/AT&T	$ 132.30			
		Legal Services	$ 2,687.59			
		Transcripts	$ 522.45			
		Ct. Reporters	$ 22,370.00			
		Attorney Fees	$ 30,118.96			
		Admin Shared Services MOU	$ 19,500.00			
		Education & Training - Non-State	$ -			
		Education & Training- State	$ -			
		Motorized Vehicle Services	$ -			
		Motorized Vehicle Services / Carwash	$ -			
		General Repair	$ -			
		Sonitrol	$ 4,999.46			
		Laundry Services	$ -			
		Junk King (Rubbish Removal)	$ -			
		OSA Audit Charges	$ -			
		Management Consultants	$ 8,622.42			
		Catering	$ -			

Expenditures	Commitment Item	Account		Budget FY27	FY27 YTD Actual	YTD FY26 Expenditures
		Other Professional Services	$ -			
		Lionbridge	$ 22.50			
		Miscellaneous Contractual Services	$ -			
		Signature Catering	$ -			
		Security Services	$ 18,450.00			
		Shredding Services	$ 1,169.16			
38440000	503000	Supply and Material		$ 275,000	$ 70,041	$ 186,196
		Office Supplies	$ 1,060.10			
		Subscriptions (Lexis & Westlaw)	$ 31,540.14			
		Custom Printed Materials	$ -			
		IT Equipment & Supplies App. Support	$ 1,080.00			
		IT Software License and Support	$ 15,598.03			
		IT Equipment & Supplies	$ 222.48			
		IT Equipment & Supplies End User	$ (188.75)			
		IT Equipment & Supplies / Print & Copy	$ -			
		Postage	$ 20,030.26			
		Communication Supplies	$ -			
		Furniture	$ -			
		Miscellaneous Supplies	$ -			
		Ballistic Barrier Products	$ -			
		Security Alarm System Supplies	$ -			
		Gasoline	$ -			
		Office Security Supply Expenses	$ -			
		Educational Supplies / Books	$ -			
		Instructional materials (Westlaw Library)	$ -			
		Promotional Materials	$ 160.82			
		Palmetto Shop	$ -			
		Employee Recognition	$ 533.03			
		Admin Parking Badge	$ 5.00			
		Other Supplies	$ -			
38440000	504000	Fixed Charges and Contributions		$ 550,000	$ 178,068	$ 186,739
		Xerox	$ 1,865.29			
		Rent- State Owned Property	$ 120.00			
		Phillips Market Center Rent	$ -			
		PO Box Rent	$ -			
		Pro-Park	$ 8,790.00			
		Hub Int'l	$ 8,782.10			
		Insurance-State	$ -			
		Insurance-State Motor vehicle	$ -			
		Dues & Membership Fees	$ 3,290.00			
		Fees & Fines	$ -			
		Fees & Fines Background Checks (SLED)	$ -			
		Fees & Fines Licensing	$ -			
		EDI Lease (Usage)	$ 1,743.04			
		EDI Lease (Interest)	$ 956.96			
		Gallium (Rent)	$ 113,038.26			
		Gallium (Interest)	$ 39,481.98			
38440000	505000	Travel		$ 150,000	$ 40,066	$ 56,242
		In-State Meals	$ 849.00			
		In-State Lodging	$ 885.01			
		In-State Air	$ -			
		In-State Mileage	$ 9,542.24			
		In-State Other	$ 131.33			
		In-State Misc-Travel Expense	$ 274.50			

Expenditures	Commitment Item	Account		Budget FY27	FY27 YTD Actual	YTD FY26 Expenditures
		In-State Registration Fees	$ 1,645.00			
		Subsistence	$ -			
		Out-of-State Meals	$ 1,205.00			
		Out-of-State Lodging	$ 8,824.92			
		Out-of-State Air Transport	$ -			
		Out-of-State Mileage	$ 3,477.76			
		Out-of-State Other	$ 778.81			
		Out-of-State Misc Travel	$ 842.38			
		Out-of-State Registration Fees	$ (285.00)			
		Reportable Meals	$ 225.00			
		State Fleet	$ 11,670.24			
38440000	506000	Capital Equipment		$ 15,000	$ -	$ -
		Point Security	$ -		$ -	$ -
38440000	514000	Benefits and Claims			$ -	$ 1,604
38440000	501070	Other Personal Services		$ -	$ -	$ -
Total	**512001**	**Other Operating**		**$ 1,640,000**	**$ 535,548**	**$ 685,524**
38440000	513000	Employer Contributions/ WC Insurance		$ 74,929	$ 20,048	$ 18,387
Total Expenditures				**$ 1,714,929**	**$ 560,180**	**$ 703,911**
				% of Budget Used	**33%**	**41%**
				% of Budget Remaining	**67%**	**59%**
% Spend v. % Collected					**56%**	**67%**

