

# LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 26, 2018

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# AGENDA

## South Carolina House of Representatives



### Legislative Oversight Committee

*Thursday, April 26, 2018  
1:00 p.m. or 30 minutes after adjournment, whichever is later  
Blatt Building - Room 110*

*Pursuant to Committee Rule 4.9, S.C. ETV shall be allowed access for internet streaming whenever technologically feasible.*

## AGENDA

- I. Approval of minutes
- II. Opportunity for Public Input about the SCETV Commission; Commission on Indigent Defense; and Commission on Prosecution Coordination.

Individuals can sign up to testify by calling the House Legislative Oversight Committee at 803-212-6810, emailing the Committee at [hcommlegov@schouse.gov](mailto:hcommlegov@schouse.gov), or signing up in person a few minutes prior to the meeting. S.C. Code of Laws Section 2-2-70 provides that all testimony given to the investigating committee must be under oath.

An ongoing opportunity for public input is available on the Committee's website, which allows individuals to provide comments to the House Legislative Oversight Committee anonymously.

- III. Adjournment

# MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

*Chair Wm. Weston J. Newton*

*First Vice-Chair:  
Laurie Slade Funderburk*

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## **Legislative Oversight Committee Meeting**

**Thursday, March 1, 2018  
Blatt Building Room 110  
1:00 p.m.**

### **Archived Video Available**

- I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 6.8, South Carolina ETV was allowed access for streaming the meeting. You may access an archived video of this meeting by visiting the South Carolina General Assembly's website (<http://www.scstatehouse.gov>) and clicking on *Committee Postings and Reports*, then under *House Standing Committees* click on *Legislative Oversight*. Then, click on *Video Archives* for a listing of archived videos for the Committee.

### **Attendance**

- I. The House Legislative Oversight Committee was called to order by Chair Wm. Weston J. Newton on Thursday, March 1, 2018, in Room 110 of the Blatt Building. All members of the Committee were present for all or a portion of the meeting, except: Representative William K. "Bill" Bowers and Representative Tommy M. Stringer.

## Minutes

- I. House Rule 4.5 requires standing committees to prepare and make available to the public the minutes of committee meetings, but the minutes do not have to be verbatim accounts of meetings.
- II. Chairman Newton calls the meeting to order.
- III. Representative Phyllis J. Henderson moves to approve the minutes from the Committee's meeting on December 19, 2017. A roll call vote is held, and the motion passes.

| <b>Representative Henderson's motion to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2017 meeting:</b> | <b>Yea</b> | <b>Nay</b> | <b>Not Voting: Present</b> | <b>Not Voting: Absent</b> |
|---|------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Katherine E. Arrington  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Bruce W. Bannister  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| William K. Bowers   |            |            |                            | ✓                         |
| Gary E. Clary   | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Neal Collins  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Chandra E. Dillard  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| MaryGail Douglas  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Laurie Slade Funderburk   | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Phyllis Henderson   | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Bill Hixon  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Jeffrey E. Johnson  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Mandy Powers Norrell  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Robert L. Ridgeway, III   |            |            | ✓                          |                           |
| Tommy M. Stringer   |            |            |                            | ✓                         |
| Edward R. Tallon  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Bill Taylor   | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| John T. (Jay) West  |            |            | ✓                          |                           |
| Robert Q. Williams  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |
| Wm. Weston J. Newton  | ✓          |            |                            |                           |

## **Public Testimony**

- I. Chair Newton states the purpose of this meeting is to hear public testimony regarding the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, and the Department of Revenue.
- II. Members of the public provide testimony about the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, and the Department of Revenue. Constituent testimony and Committee minutes summarizing testimony are not the comments or expression of the House Legislative Oversight Committee, any of its Subcommittees, the House of Representatives, or any of these entities' staff.

Before each person testifies, Chair Newton administers an oath to the person. Below are the names of each person who testifies and the time in the archived video at which the testimony begins. The testimony is grouped by the agency about which the testimony relates.

### **Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR)**

#### Mr. Charlie Young, Greenville County (08:00)

Mr. Young is the Corporate Safety Manager at Milliken & Company. He has been with the company for over 26 years. Milliken & Company has been in business over 150 years with 7,000 associates worldwide. Most of its sites are located in the Southeastern US, with 43% of the global head count in South Carolina. Health and safety of the associates is one of the main goals of the company.

Mr. Young testifies about a division of LLR, South Carolina Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Program (VPP). Milliken & Company has been involved with the VPP process for over 20 years. There are 26 VPP star sites across the US, with 15 of them located in South Carolina. He testifies that the OSHA VPP is a true partner with his company and is a great program. They make sure the company is meeting standards and are always looking for ways to improve.

#### Mr. Charles Dixon, Dorchester County (17:30)

Mr. Dixon works for Nucor Steel Corporation in Berkeley County. Nucor Steel has four facilities in South Carolina. He states, "It takes a village to raise a great work place." The steel industry is a dangerous industry. In early 2000, Nucor has between 75-80 injuries every year, so there is a shift in commitment and resources to make a change. Over five years those numbers decrease gradually.

In the last eight years, Nucor has created a relationship with OSHA and VPP program. That relationship helped change the culture, and the downward shift in injuries has continued. Mr. Dixon testifies his company only has a handful of injuries per year now and is confident that with the work that OSHA does, the number will continue to decrease. The tremendous growing industry in South Carolina presents a challenge to OSHA and the VPP program. Lastly, Mr. Dixon testifies that South Carolina needs to continue funding and growing OSHA and VPP.

Mr. John Greely, Georgia (25:30)

Mr. Greely works as the safety manager at Bridgestone in Aiken, South Carolina. He further testifies he recently purchased a lake house in Greenwood, South Carolina.

Mr. Greely testifies that Bridgestone makes 1.1 million tires a month. Bridgestone in Aiken has about 1,500 team members, all part of VPP. He speaks about the LLR start-up student program and career centers. They are working to get them everywhere. They did the first class in Aiken County for the career center at the end of last year and hope to have many more in the future. It is important to grow the work force in SC with the industry they have. The ten hour OSHA course provides young adults a certification coming out of high school. Many participate in the South Carolina Manufacturers Alliance conference (SCMA) that is put on by OSHA and SCMA. The VPP site and others provide training that any company can attend to learn new things. It is important to their employees to keep the workplace safe. VPP is a great program.

Mr. Joe Palmer, Newberry County (31:10)

Mr. Palmer testifies he is the Executive Director for the South Carolina State Firefighters Association. He testifies that he is in strong support of LLR's work. He has been associated with the agency and the fire services since the restructure of state government. He testifies the current LLR director is interested in the profession and the well-being of this state. Director Farr communicates well with the State Firefighters Association and their staff. They look forward to continuing this great relationship. In the CTC programs, LLR has been a leader along with his organization in establishing these programs to reach the whole state of South Carolina.

Mr. M. Kyle Minick, Charleston County (39:30)

Mr. Minick testifies he works for the South Carolina State Firefighters Association. He states he is in support of LLR and speaks about the State Fire Marshall, Division

of Fire and Life Safety, Chief Jones and Chief Ray. According to Mr. Minick, the last year has been a breath of fresh air for firefighters. The firefighters are getting what they need and have had better communication and support because of LLR. The association and LLR is working on reducing fire and life safety deaths in South Carolina to become one of the states in the nation ]with the lowest civilian fatalities.

Mr. Mark Manos, Greenville County (41:45)

Mr. Manos testifies he works for BEK Building Group as the Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Manager, a position he has held for 22 years.

Mr. Manos states is here to testify on behalf of the construction industry. He has worked with OSHA for over 25 years and in the construction industry for 40 years. From the construction industry standpoint, the concern he has is that everyone recognizes the market is increasing and a lot of work is going on, but unfortunately, when there are more opportunities for work, more people start to lose their lives.

He testifies he is speaking about VPP and the ability to access those programs. Mr. Manos testifies he has been trying to get into VPP for the past year for a project in downtown Greenville, but he could not get a response. Mr. Manos represents thousands of workers, not just a handful of workers at a plant facility. Over a year, he can work with 20,000 workers here in the state of South Carolina. BEK needs those resources to actually access the programs, so BEK can work better as a team. VPP and its access should be expanded.

Ms. Sara Goldsby, Richland County (51:50)

Ms. Goldsby testifies she is the Director of the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services. Ms. Goldsby states she is here to testify in support of LLR.

Ms. Goldsby testifies LLR does important work to keep our state healthy and safe by addressing addiction. She states LLR oversees the Recovering Professionals Program. This is a program for licensed professionals that find themselves with substance abuse disorder. According to Ms. Goldsby, it is key to make sure our licensed workforce has help and the opportunity to return to safely practice. They have worked on legislation to have addiction counselors in the state. LLR has truly prioritized the opioid epidemic. They have developed a website where professionals can go learn more about the opioid epidemic and its treatment.



Mr. John Coleman, Anderson County (55:20)

Mr. Coleman testifies he is the Director of Human Resources at Sage Automotive Interiors. He testifies in support of LLR. Sage Automotive Interiors has been a part of the VPP program since 1995. The OSHA VPP has done a lot for Sage Automotive. He testifies that Sage was averaging three to four recordables (i.e., a recordable injury or illness under OSHA) per year, then because of VPP, they started getting down to zero recordables. It did that through the working relationship it has with OSHA.

Mr. Rex Casterline, Richland County (59:10)

Mr. Casterline testifies he serves as a public member on the Real Estate Appraisers Board. While he had nothing to with the combining of boards, he is a direct beneficiary of that effort. From my perspective and not the board, it is easy to conclude that a lawyer would be ready, willing, and able to serve as a public member on a board, but that is not really the case. Many times public members are not trained licensees on the boards they serve. His highest priority is understanding appraisal matters. Once he received the training, it helped so much. He was much more comfortable, and that is a direct result of funding and training from LLR. Training on various topics is invaluable for public board members.

### **Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT)**

Mr. Jerry R. Helms, York County (01:04:05)

Mr. Helms testifies he is the Vice President of Operation at Carowinds. He testifies he has been with Carowinds for 45 years. Further, he states that Carowinds is in a major capital expansion. When Mr. Helms started working there, there was one rollercoaster and one water slide. Now, Carowinds has six roller coasters on the South Carolina side. There are a lot of good things coming to the South Carolina side. In 22 days, Carowinds will open the revamped Camp Snoopy attraction. If anyone comes to the park today that has not been in a while, they would not even recognize it. We have the number one rollercoaster in the world, the Fury. One of the reasons it is able to have success is because of the relationship with PRT. PRT promotes and helps with infrastructure.

Mr. John Salazar, Beaufort County (01:13:45)

Mr. Salazar testifies he is the Director at the University of South Carolina-Beaufort, Low Country Tourism Institute, and a professor at USC-Beaufort. He testifies in support of PRT's research efforts. He states he has worked in many states doing research. Mr. Salazar testifies that the research and statistics PRT provides on the tourism industry is the most robust of the states he has worked in and notes that



Georgia does not have the data resources that South Carolina has. He testifies that he brings this data into the classroom. Further, PRT offers scholarships that is extremely important to students.

Mr. Robert Williams, Richland County (01:17:30)

Mr. Williams testifies he is the CEO of Lizard's Thicket and Vice Chair of South Carolina Restaurant and Lodging Association. He testifies that he is in strong support of PRT. His company and PRT work together on a daily basis to expand and further strengthen South Carolina's \$21 billion tourism industry. His association partners with PRT to ensure the tourism industry speaks with one voice and helps share tourism information in the event of natural disasters. The association is in support of PRT's annual budget request; it has been the association's number one priority on its legislative agenda for the past six years. The tourism industry has experienced record-breaking growth, which benefits the state in job creations and lowering taxes. The agency is doing a great job.

Ms. April Donnelly, Richland County (01:20:15)

Ms. Donnelly testifies she works with the South Carolina Chapter of Nature Conservancy. She testifies they have a long standing history with PRT. Since 1976, they have partnered on the acquisition of lands for public access.

When special opportunities present themselves for state park lands, the Conservancy contacts PRT first. Together, they have completed six projects with and started working on the seventh. Gap Creek, in the upstate (Greenville County), is the current project. The Nature Conservancy is also working in the Low Country and is looking forward to continue working there.

Controlled burning and fire management is the final activity that the Conservancy works on with PRT. This is an important tool for safety and park infrastructure.

Ms. Peach Morrison, Beaufort County (01:24:20)

Ms. Morrison testifies she is the Executive Director of the Lowcountry Tourism Commission. She testifies she has been working with PRT for the past eleven years. The staff has always been strong, but they are even better under the current director. PRT is supportive of other groups, golf courses, parks, ball fields, and restaurants. She is proud to be a partner with PRT.

Ms. Denise Parsick, Beaufort County (01:29:30)

Ms. Parsick testifies she is the President of Friends of Huntington Island. Their mission is to support state parks, through conservation education and interpretation of natural and cultural resources, as well as protecting those resources. This is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the group. Over her time, there is a consistency with the level of communication that all the state park directors have had. PRT is a great organization. The closure of the park in Beaufort due to the hurricanes hit Beaufort very hard. Also, it hit the businesses hard. It hit everyone hard, but the beach truly is becoming better than ever because of PRT.

Mr. Jim Headley, Lexington County (01:35:00)

Mr. Headley testifies he represents the South Carolina Parks and Recreation Association and has been the executive director for 30 years. He states PRT's leadership is great, and the director has breathed new life into PRT. Without the director's support and leadership, PRT would not be where it is now. One issue PRT may run into in the near future is the retirement issue.

#### **Department of Revenue (DOR)**

Mr. Jeff Davis, Greenville County (01:39:05)

Mr. Davis testifies he is originally from Charleston County, but now resides in Greenville County. He stresses importance of the oversight process and the effect it has on people. Mr. Davis shares a news article from two years ago in regards to leadership at DOR. This was an audit that was requested by the past director. Mr. Davis states there were sexual statements about his wife made by senior staff at the DOR and the lead trainer. He states that he understands staff will make mistakes and mistakes will happen, but when a head auditor and trainer is doing these types of things, there needs to be more oversight.

Mr. Davis emphasizes DOR is an agency that has policing authority and taxing authority. If they go awry, things will be bad. Mr. Davis states he has spoken with ethics personnel at the State Bar Association. As a lawyer, he states he has an ethical obligation to file a complaint against the former director of DOR. Mr. Davis further states that as of two weeks ago, the former director of DOR has resigned from the State Ethics Commission. Mr. Davis emphasizes again his belief that it is important to have this oversight. Lastly, Mr. Davis testifies the agency deletes emails.

- III. Members ask some constituents questions after their public testimony, which the different constituents answer.

### **Discussion of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (LLR)**

- I. Ms. Emily Farr, Director of LLR, addresses the committee regarding the public comments.
- II. Members ask the director questions regarding the public testimony, which the director answers.

### **Discussion of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT)**

- I. Mr. Duane Parrish, Director of PRT, address the committee regarding the public comments.
- II. Members ask the director questions regarding the public testimony, which the director answers.

### **Discussion of the Department of Revenue (DOR)**

- I. Mr. W. Hartley Powell, Director of DOR, address the committee regarding the public comments.
- II. Members ask the director questions regarding the public testimony, which the director answers.

### **Discussion of Committee Administrative Matters**

- I. Chair Newton provides an overview of administrative matters regarding the legislative oversight process.
- II. There being no further business; the meeting is adjourned.

# AGENCY EXECUTIVE SUMMARIES & SURVEY INPUT

## *Educational Television Commission*

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Agency:</b>                           | SC Educational Television Commission (SCETV)   |
| <b>Agency Head:</b>                      | Anthony Padgett, President and Chief Executive Officer   |
| <b>Agency established pursuant to...</b> | Section 59-7-10.<br>“There is hereby created the South Carolina Educational Television Commission...”  |
| <b>Overview:</b>                         | <p>SCETV is the state's public educational broadcasting network. Using television, radio and the web, SCETV's mission is to enrich lives by educating children, informing and connecting citizens, celebrating our culture and environment and instilling the joy of learning.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• SCETV provides national and local content to classrooms via internet services Knowitall.org, LearningWhy, and PBS Learning Media.</li><li>• SCETV also provides teacher training and re-certification in face-to-face and online settings.</li><li>• SCETV currently presents <i>A Chef's Life</i>, <i>Expeditions</i>, <i>Reel South</i>, and <i>For Your Home</i> on public television in addition to national radio productions <i>Song Travels</i>, <i>Piano Jazz</i> and <i>Chamber Music from Spoleto Festival USA</i>.</li><li>• SCETV began in 1958 in the library of Dreher High School in Columbia, SC teaching French and Plane Geometry classes to multiple schools via closed-circuit. Today the network comprises 11 TV stations, eight radio stations, and a statewide tower network that serves schools, hospitals, and emergency management teams. The 11 TV stations provide a total of 26,280 hours of educational programs each year on three channels.</li></ul> |
| <b>SCETV Commission:</b>                 | <p>There are nine members of the ETV Commission. Eight are appointed by the Governor for six-year-terms—one from each Congressional District and one from the State at-large who serves as the Chairman. The ninth member is the State Superintendent of Education who is ex-officio.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr. Brent Nelson, At-large Chair</li><li>• Ms. Parker Harrington, 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District</li><li>• Ms. Elise Bidwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District</li><li>• Mr. Craig Kinley, 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District</li></ul>   |

- Ms. Karen Martin, 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District
- Mr. David E. Vipperman, 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District
- Ms. Nicole Holland, 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District
- Ms. Jill Kelso, 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District
- Molly Spearman, Ex-officio, State Superintendent of Education

**Mission:** To enrich lives by educating children, informing and connecting citizens, celebrating our culture, and instilling the joy of learning.

**Vision:** SCETV will be recognized as a center of excellence for our region and the nation, providing indispensable information and education to the communities we serve.

**FY 2017-18 Budget:** Total Funds: \$30,397,802  
General Funds: \$282,802

**Channels:**

- ETV-HD is the primary channel featuring local and national programs, including everything from "Carolina Stories" and "Palmetto Scene" to "Masterpiece Theatre" and "NOVA." It also features the bulk of ETV's daily children's shows, offered as a safe-haven for parents looking for quality educational programming.
- The South Carolina Channel features SC-specific history, arts and nature programming, as well as the CreateTV block of crafts, cooking and home improvement programs.
- ETV World brings viewers public affairs programs on local and national issues and is the home of ETV's State House coverage.
- SCETV PBS Kids features 24/7 children's programming from PBS Kids.

**Stations:**

- Allendale Channel 14 (WEBA)
- Beaufort Channel 16 (WJWJ)
- Charleston Channel 7 (WITV)
- Columbia Channel 35 (WRLK)
- Conway Channel 23 (WHMC)
- Florence Channel 33 (WJPM)
- Greenville Channel 29 (WNTV)
- Greenwood Channel 38 (WNEH)
- Rock Hill Channel 30 (WNSC)
- Spartanburg Channel 49 (WRET)
- Sumter Channel 27 (WRJA)

**Radio:** South Carolina Public Radio broadcasts two different services over eight transmitters.

**ETV Education:**

**ETV Education** collaborates with the Department of Education, the Education Oversight Committee and the S.C. K-12 School Technology Initiative to provide a variety of content services, including PBS LearningMedia, Knowitall.org, **LearningWhy.org**, and PBS Kids.

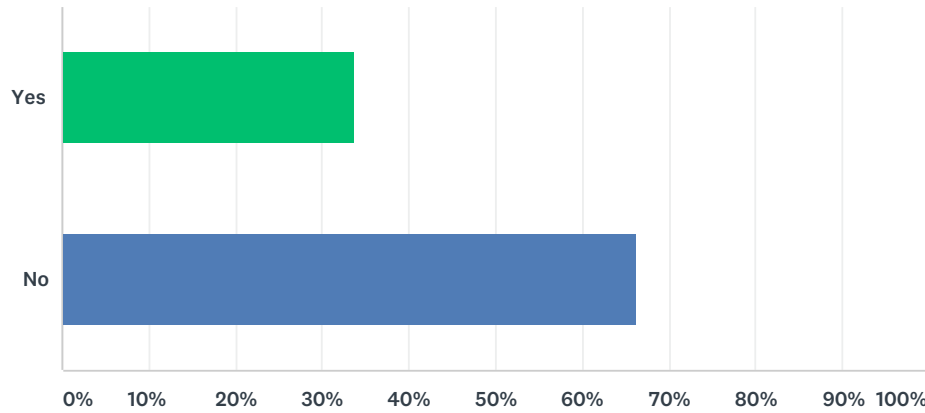
These services are made available at no charge to every public, private and home school student, regardless of economic status. ETV's annual teacher survey reports that over 95% of applicable respondents say the ETV Education services employed, including content and/or professional development, helped better facilitate learning to improve student performance/engagement.

**SCETV's Management Team:**

Anthony Padgett, President and Chief Executive Officer  
Kerry Feduk, Vice President of Content  
Shari Hutchinson, Vice President of Radio and TV Programing  
Mark Jahnke, Vice President of Engineering and Technology  
Melanie Davis Boyer, Corporate Sponsorship Manager  
Dean Byrd, Director of Education  
Jennifer Green, Director of Administration  
Bobbi Kennedy, Special Projects Director for the Office of the Pesident  
Glenn Rawls, Director of Communications.

## Q1 Would you like to provide input about the SC Educational Television Commission (ETV)?

Answered: 492 Skipped: 9

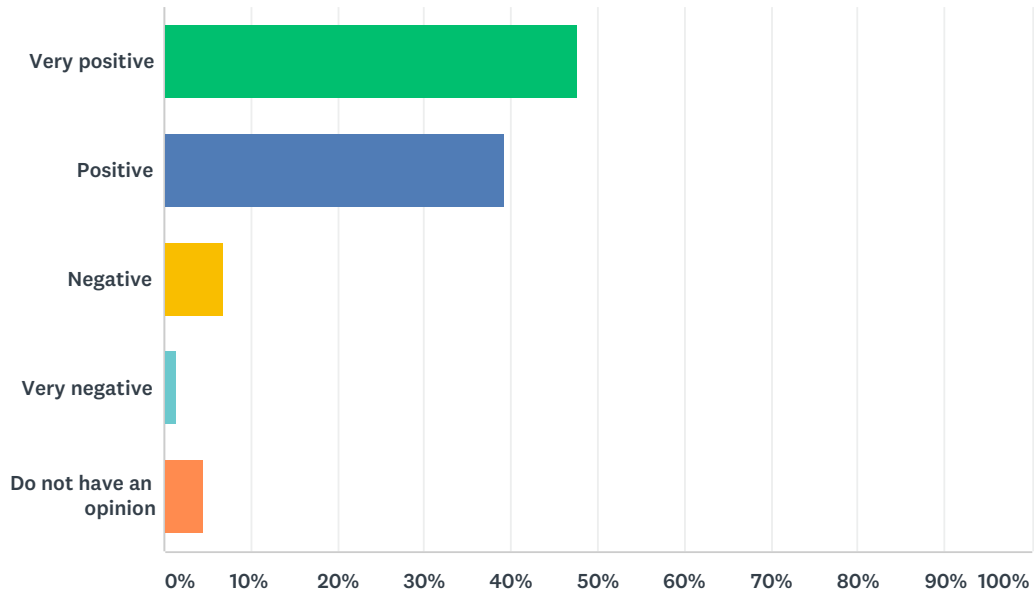


| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes            | 33.74%    | 166 |
| No             | 66.26%    | 326 |
| TOTAL          |           | 492 |



## Q2 Overall, what is your opinion of the SC Educational Television Commission?

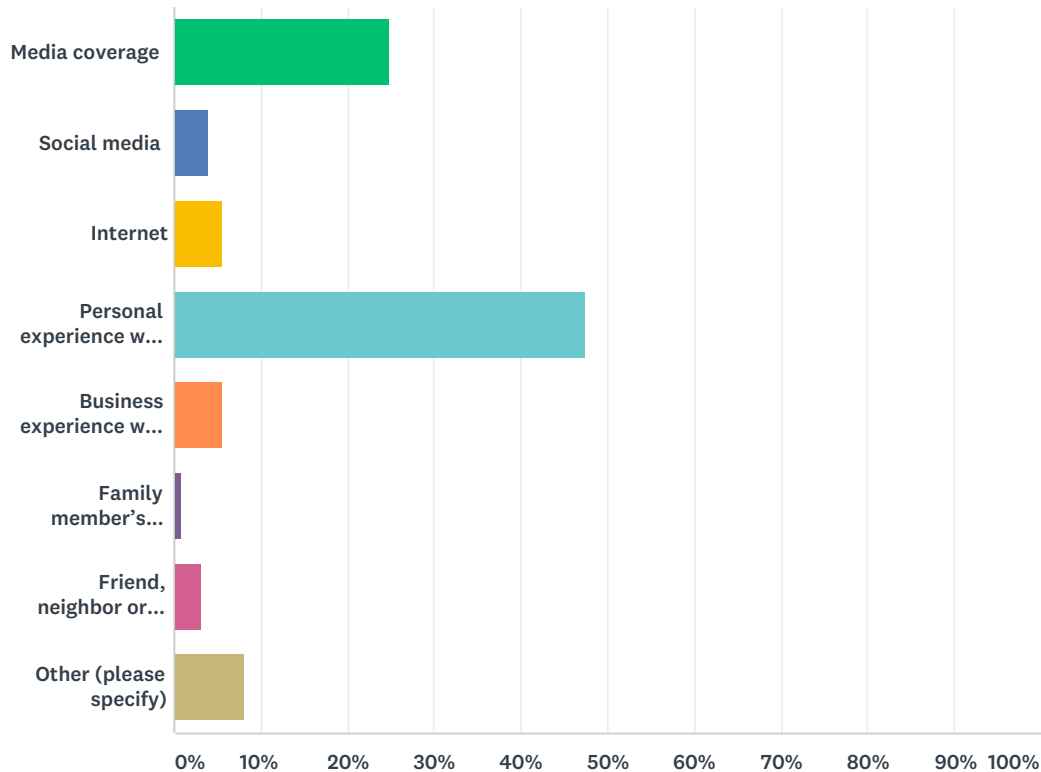
Answered: 130 Skipped: 371



| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Very positive          | 47.69%    | 62  |
| Positive               | 39.23%    | 51  |
| Negative               | 6.92%     | 9   |
| Very negative          | 1.54%     | 2   |
| Do not have an opinion | 4.62%     | 6   |
| TOTAL                  |           | 130 |

### Q3 Which of the following has most influenced your opinion of the SC Educational Television Commission?

Answered: 124   Skipped: 377



| ANSWER CHOICES   | RESPONSES |            |
|--|-----------|------------|
| Media coverage   | 25.00%    | 31         |
| Social media   | 4.03%     | 5          |
| Internet   | 5.65%     | 7          |
| Personal experience with the agency                        | 47.58%    | 59         |
| Business experience with the agency                        | 5.65%     | 7          |
| Family member's experience with the agency                 | 0.81%     | 1          |
| Friend, neighbor or colleague's experience with the agency | 3.23%     | 4          |
| Other (please specify)                                     | 8.06%     | 10         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>   |           | <b>124</b> |

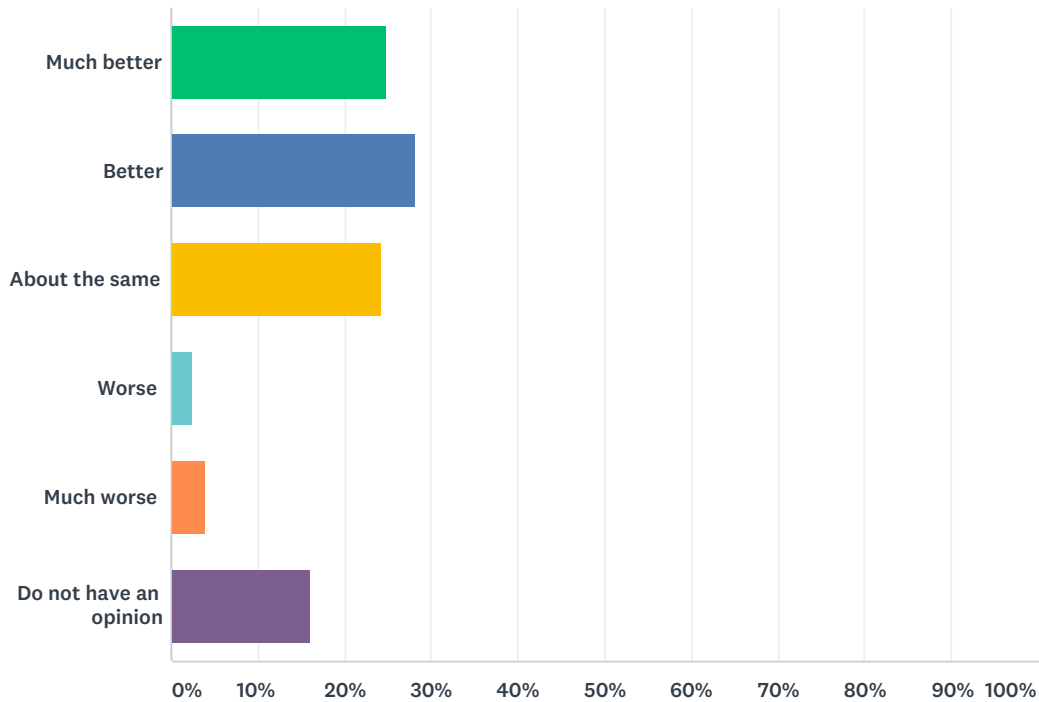
| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)        | DATE               |
|---|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Watching ETV                  | 2/28/2018 2:40 PM  |
| 2 | scetv production              | 2/25/2018 9:42 AM  |
| 3 | what I see on ETV             | 2/22/2018 3:08 PM  |
| 4 | Taxpayer dollars being wasted | 2/19/2018 12:30 PM |

## Public Survey About Agencies Under Study January 2018

|    |   |                    |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 5  | SCETV provides outstanding content.     | 2/12/2018 2:01 PM  |
| 6  | Watching/Listening to the station.      | 2/7/2018 1:10 PM   |
| 7  | Programming provided by the agency      | 1/30/2018 10:21 AM |
| 8  | Use of ETV Services                     | 1/29/2018 5:26 PM  |
| 9  | Channel                                 | 1/26/2018 10:55 AM |
| 10 | Educational Material Generated for K-12 | 1/25/2018 1:48 PM  |

## Q4 How do you think the SC Educational Television Commission functions on an overall basis in comparison to other state agencies in South Carolina?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 377



| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |     |
|------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Much better            | 25.00%    | 31  |
| Better                 | 28.23%    | 35  |
| About the same         | 24.19%    | 30  |
| Worse                  | 2.42%     | 3   |
| Much worse             | 4.03%     | 5   |
| Do not have an opinion | 16.13%    | 20  |
| TOTAL                  |           | 124 |

**Q5 Please list any comments, concerns, or suggestions you may have about the SC Educational Television Commission, including the ease of obtaining information online. Your response may be quoted verbatim in a Committee report.**

Answered: 34    Skipped: 467

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE               |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1  | I have loved working as a long term employee for SC ETV, because most of the people I've worked with are genuinely nice people. On the other hand there have been some very serious internal management issues throughout the course of my 28 1/2 years of employment. So serious that most people would not even believe me if I told them. I have seen discrimination, unfair compensation, harassment issues of all kinds, abuse of power as well as theft of onsite property.  | 2/28/2018 7:25 PM  |
| 2  | N/A  | 2/28/2018 2:40 PM  |
| 3  | It's far left leaning instead of being neutral   | 2/21/2018 12:01 PM |
| 4  | The approach is outdated. They are not providing educational resources to schools as they once did   | 2/19/2018 7:46 PM  |
| 5  | There's much room for improvement, but it's sorely needed.   | 2/19/2018 4:06 PM  |
| 6  | SC Educational Television and Public Radio is a huge asset that could be used to move South Carolina forward but currently is severely underutilized. It is the only media that reaches all parts of the state. The Legislature should define the core mission of SC Educational Television and Public Radio as providing content that enhances the education, prosperity, and health of all of South Carolina's citizens. That would be very different than most of the content that appears on SC Educational Television and Public Radio today. | 2/19/2018 2:22 PM  |
| 7  | I'm a big fan of the services provided by the commission. I only wish the television reception was better in Pickens/Oconee counties. A very valuable service to our citizens.   | 2/19/2018 12:35 PM |
| 8  | Stop the waste of taxpayer dollars.  | 2/19/2018 12:30 PM |
| 9  | Would love to see more original programming from different localities throughout the state like the tribute piece to The Emmanuel Nine. It was "homegrown" and would have appealed to the nation. ALL WE NEED IS LOVE was like healing. We need funding for spectacular theatre originating in SC..  | 2/15/2018 4:50 PM  |
| 10 | This provides excellent programming and produces quality local shows as well.  | 2/13/2018 3:45 PM  |
| 11 | Please expand resources to this important agency   | 2/13/2018 11:13 AM |
| 12 | Taxpayers should not be in the TV network business.  | 2/12/2018 12:00 PM |
| 13 | SCETV fullfills a vital role in providing needed communications between government and the citizens of the great State of South Carolina. The Educational programing, with state wide access, provides several expanded opportunities for our adult population and school age children. Continued growth in SCETV's production facility could have tremendous impacts on other agencies budgets for media cost.  | 2/12/2018 8:48 AM  |
| 14 | SCETV provides a wonderful public srvice.  | 2/8/2018 1:47 PM   |
| 15 | I enjoy the wide variety of programming they provide 24/7.   | 2/8/2018 9:19 AM   |
| 16 | More sc history and nature programs  | 2/7/2018 2:13 PM   |
| 17 | They do an excellent job with local programming and are a vital piece of our state infrastructure. They are important to our state!  | 2/7/2018 12:47 PM  |
| 18 | N/A  | 2/6/2018 3:37 PM   |
| 19 | There should be more educational shows besides the few we have.  | 2/6/2018 10:07 AM  |
| 20 | The information provided by the network is always interesting .  | 2/6/2018 9:16 AM   |

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| 21 | Sc ETV should play a bigger role steaming shows.   | 2/1/2018 7:37 AM   |
| 22 | very necessary organization.   | 1/31/2018 2:57 PM  |
| 23 | Functional information, continual Radio coverage-Great   | 1/31/2018 11:25 AM |
| 24 | SCETV does a very fine job. Honestly, they need MORE funding!  | 1/30/2018 8:50 PM  |
| 25 | Excellent service and programming for the community and state  | 1/30/2018 10:08 AM |
| 26 | Keep Up the great work!  | 1/30/2018 10:05 AM |
| 27 | great online presence  | 1/30/2018 8:37 AM  |
| 28 | there needs to be more balance with pay; there are too many on the 50k plus list; lower level employees do not receive merit raises and something needs to be done to correct the imbalance; seems the higher levels receive them more often   | 1/26/2018 9:54 PM  |
| 29 | South Carolina Educational Television has been very instrumental in telling the stories and tales of South Carolina, its It's people and its history. They are very good at using stories or content that was shot for a specific purpose and then repackaging that content so that it can be used on multiple platform. Content that is shot for on air is then used or made to fit on the web and through K-12 and College level courses or outlets. | 1/25/2018 1:48 PM  |
| 30 | ETV offers a wide variety of programs and information through a wide variety of mediums. A lot of people think of ETV as tv and radio only, though; often they don't know about the educational and network services provided by it unless they work for an agency being served.   | 1/24/2018 3:35 PM  |
| 31 | SCETV has been and should always be the light that make SC shine. It's the station that put SC on the map Globally.  | 1/24/2018 3:27 PM  |
| 32 | n/a  | 1/24/2018 2:34 PM  |
| 33 | We have been working with so little for so long, and now that we have the opportunity to get on board technically with the current decade due to our recent spectrum sale is very exciting! The lack of employee raises whether merit or cost of living is always daunting, but I suppose that is across the board with all state agencies.  | 1/24/2018 2:21 PM  |
| 34 | Cease funding; they compete unfairly (subsidized with tax dollars) with private television stations.   | 1/24/2018 11:12 AM |

## *Commission on Indigent Defense*

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| <b>Agency:</b>                                 | SC Commission on Indigent Defense (SCCID)   |
| <b>Agency Head:</b>                            | James Hugh Ryan III, Executive Director   |
| <b>Agency established pursuant to...</b>       | Section 17-3-310, <i>et seq.</i> effective July 1, 1993<br>Effective July 1, 2005, the office of Appellate Defense became a division within the Agency.   |
| <b>Governing Entity:</b><br>§ 17-3-310 (A)-(E) | <p>The Commission on Indigent Defense is comprised of 13 members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ 9 who are appointed by the Governor:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ 1 representative from each of the four Judicial Regions</li><li>▪ 5 representatives from the S.C. Bar</li></ul></li><li>▪ 2 retired judges, including a retired circuit judge and either a retired family court judge or a retired appellate judge, appointed by the Chief Justice of the S.C. Supreme Court</li><li>▪ 1 representative of the House Judiciary Committee, appointed by the Committee Chair</li><li>▪ 1 representative of the Senate Judiciary Committee, appointed by the Committee Chair</li></ul> <p>The Chair of the Commission on Indigent Defense is elected by the Commission from its membership for a two-year term. A chair may be re-elected.</p>   |
| <b>Office of Indigent Defense:</b>             | <p>Section 17-3-320. Office of Indigent Defense; executive director; appointment; duties.</p> <p>(A) There is created the Office of Indigent Defense under the jurisdiction of the commission. The office must be administered by an executive director appointed by the commission. The executive director may hire other administrative, clerical, and legal staff and is authorized to contract with outside consultants on behalf of the office as he considers necessary to provide the services as required pursuant to the provisions of this article.</p> <p>(B) The executive director shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) administer and coordinate the operations of the office and all divisions within the office and supervise compliance among the circuit defender offices with rules, procedures, regulations, and standards adopted by the commission;</li><li>(2) maintain proper records of all financial transactions related to the operation of the office;</li></ol> |



- (3) coordinate the services of the office with any federal, county, private, or other programs established to provide assistance to indigent persons entitled to representation pursuant to the provisions of this chapter and consult with professional organizations concerning the implementation and improvement of programs for providing indigent services;
- (4) prepare and submit annually to the commission a proposed budget for the provision of statewide indigent defense services; and prepare and submit an annual report containing pertinent data on the operations, costs, and needs of the state's indigent defense system and other information as the commission may require;
- (5) coordinate in the development and implementation of rules, policies, procedures, regulations, and standards adopted by the commission to carry out the provisions of this chapter and comply with all applicable laws and standards;
- (6) maintain proper records of all financial transactions related to the operation of the commission;
- (7) apply for and accept on behalf of the commission funds that may become available from any source, including government, nonprofit, or private grants, gifts, or bequests;
- (8) provide for the training of attorneys and other staff involved in the legal representation of persons subject to the provisions of this chapter;
- (9) attend all commission meetings, except those meetings or portions of the meetings that address the question of appointment or removal of the director;
- (10) ensure that the expenditures of the commission are not greater than the amounts budgeted or available from other revenue sources; and
- (11) perform other duties as the commission assigns.

**Mission:**

The Commission on Indigent Defense, through the Office of Indigent Defense and its divisions, and in cooperation and consultation with other state agencies, professional associations and other groups interested in the administration of criminal justice and the improvement and expansion of defender services, establishes and monitors programs and services for legal representation to indigent defendants charged with criminal offenses in the courts of the state. The agency also manages the Rule 608 Contract program, contracting with attorneys across the state to provide representation in criminal and specific family court cases.

The Appellate Defense division of SCCID handles appeals on behalf of indigent clients and consists of a staff of eleven attorneys.

The Capital Trial division within SCCID handles capital cases, statewide, frequently partnering with outside counsel appointed by the court.

The Office of Indigent Defense establishes criteria for determining indigency and qualifications for services, establishes guidelines for court-appointed attorneys in representing indigent clients, and administers distribution of funding for indigent defense. Additionally, the office establishes and supervises training programs for public defenders and staff across the State and oversees a central reporting system of statistical data in the delivery of indigent defense services.

**Vision:**

The SCCID is responsible for ensuring that all individuals are provided indigent defense services in South Carolina and provide the highest quality of representation to our clients. The SCCID sets and enforces standards, to ensure consistency across South Carolina, and to maintain accountability of those persons entrusted with the life and liberty of poor persons charged with crimes.

**FY 2017-18 Budget:**

Total Funds: \$43,817,360  
General Funds: \$29,895,488

**Rule 602 Defense of Indigents:**

Upon examination of a completed Affidavit of Indigency (Form II), the officer designated to make a determination of indigency shall determine if the accused is indigent. If that officer is unable to make this determination, the final determination whether the accused is indigent shall be made by a judge of the court in which the matter is to be heard.

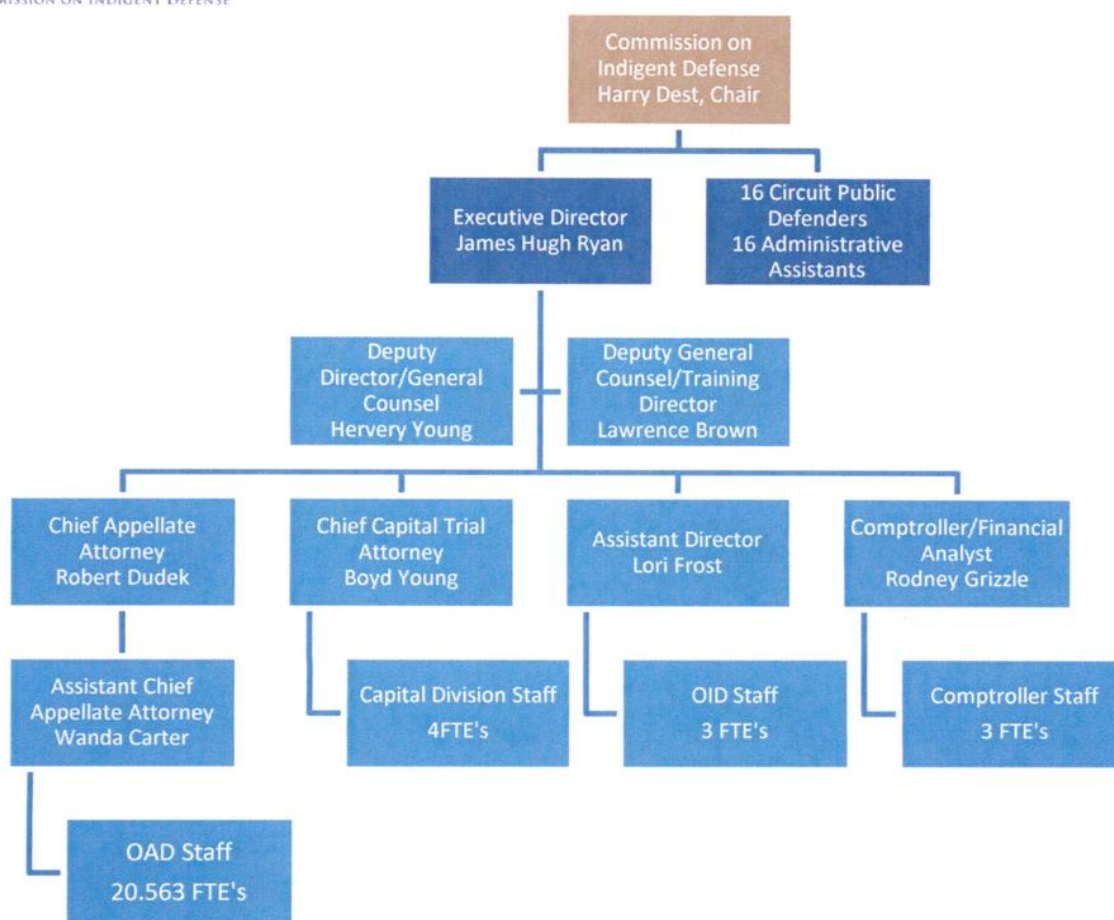
For purposes of this rule, a person is indigent if that person is financially unable to employ counsel. In making a determination whether a person is indigent, all factors concerning the person's financial condition should be considered including income, debts, assets and family situation. A presumption that the person is indigent shall be created if the person's net family income is less than or equal to the Poverty Guidelines established and revised annually by the United States Department of Health and Human Services and published in the Federal Register. Net income shall mean gross income minus deductions required by law.

**Rule 608 Contract Program:**

Rule 608 provides a uniform method for appointing attorneys to represent indigent clients in the South Carolina circuit and family courts, based on statutory and constitutional mandates.

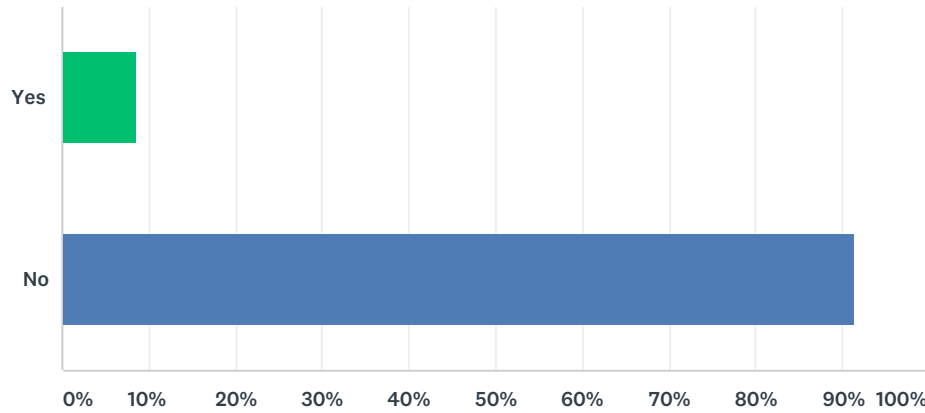
The 2012-13 General Appropriations Act granted SCCID the authority to retain, on a contractual basis, the services of these attorneys. SCCID, in conjunction with the SC Bar, established and administers the Rule 608 Contract Program.

This contract program provides eligible attorneys to enter into an agreement with SCCID to receive a flat fee per appointed case. The SC Bar maintains lists of attorneys who have been certified by the state Supreme Court to serve as lead counsel in death penalty cases, counsel for other criminal cases, or counsel in civil court cases. These lists provide the basis for selecting indigent defense counsel.



## Q6 Would you like to provide input about the Commission on Indigent Defense?

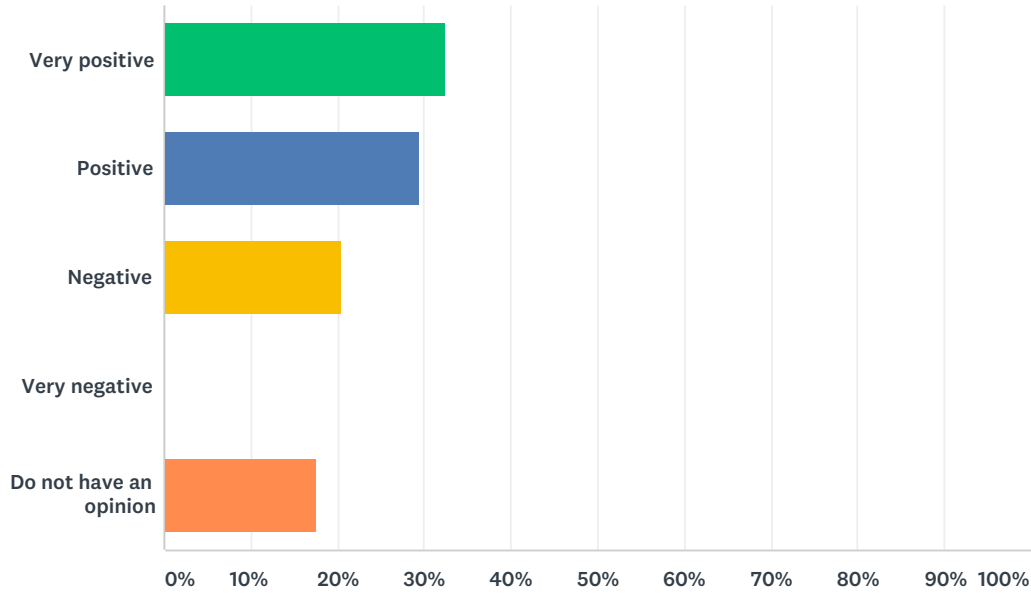
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| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes            | 8.60%     | 37  |
| No             | 91.40%    | 393 |
| TOTAL          |           | 430 |

## Q7 Overall, what is your opinion of the Commission on Indigent Defense?

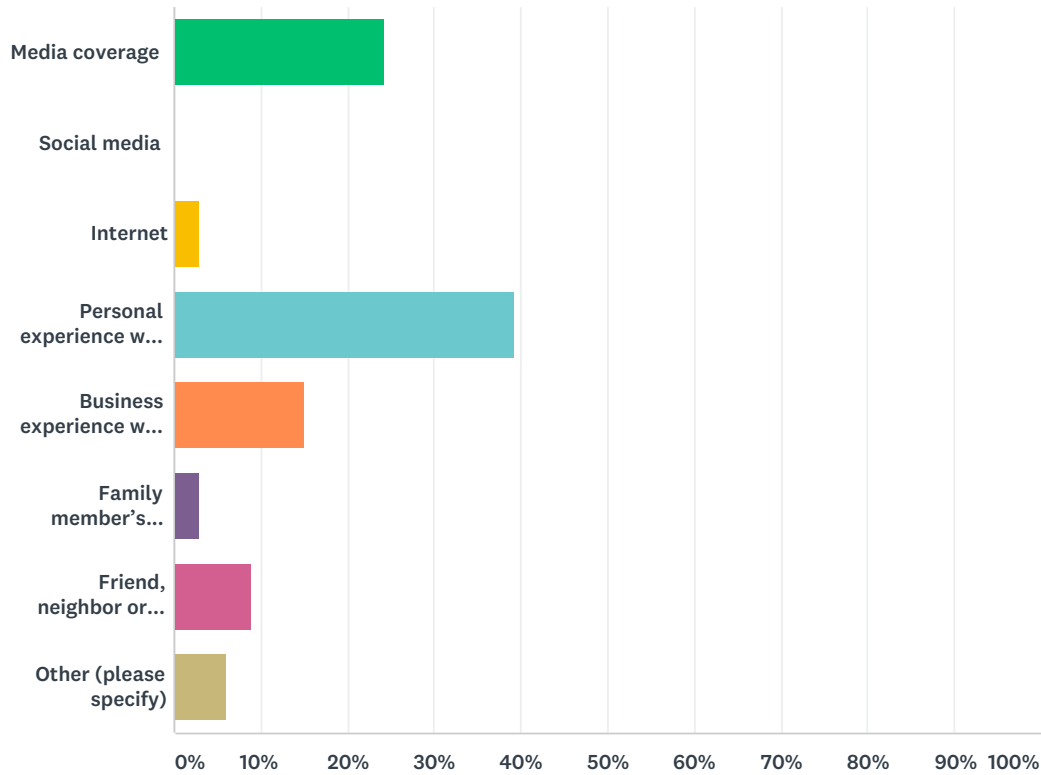
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| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very positive          | 32.35%    | 11 |
| Positive               | 29.41%    | 10 |
| Negative               | 20.59%    | 7  |
| Very negative          | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Do not have an opinion | 17.65%    | 6  |
| TOTAL                  |           | 34 |

## Q8 Which of the following has most influenced your opinion of the Commission on Indigent Defense?

Answered: 33 Skipped: 468

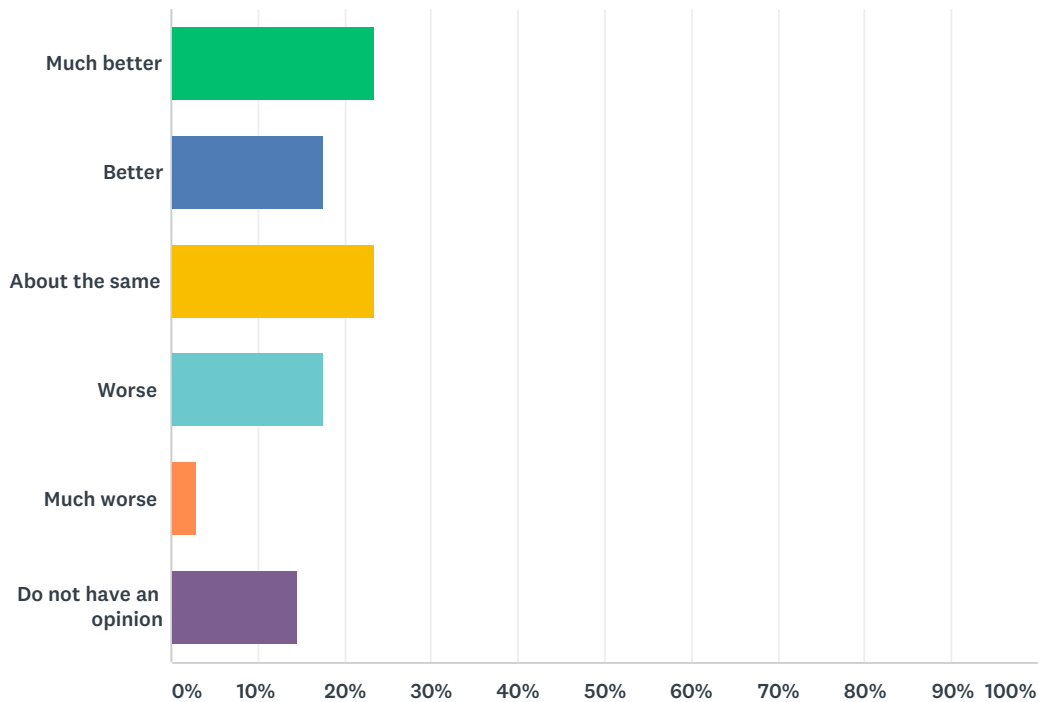


| ANSWER CHOICES   |  | RESPONSES |    |
|--|--|-----------|----|
| Media coverage   |  | 24.24%    | 8  |
| Social media   |  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Internet   |  | 3.03%     | 1  |
| Personal experience with the agency                        |  | 39.39%    | 13 |
| Business experience with the agency                        |  | 15.15%    | 5  |
| Family member's experience with the agency                 |  | 3.03%     | 1  |
| Friend, neighbor or colleague's experience with the agency |  | 9.09%     | 3  |
| Other (please specify)                                     |  | 6.06%     | 2  |
| TOTAL  |  |           | 33 |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)   | DATE              |
|---|--|-------------------|
| 1 | how many commissions and boards do the taxpayers fund?         | 1/26/2018 9:20 PM |
| 2 | I listened to the arguments in SC Legislatature Online on ETV. | 1/24/2018 3:38 PM |

## Q9 How do you think the Commission on Indigent Defense functions on an overall basis in comparison to other state agencies in South Carolina?

Answered: 34   Skipped: 467



| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Much better            | 23.53%    | 8  |
| Better                 | 17.65%    | 6  |
| About the same         | 23.53%    | 8  |
| Worse                  | 17.65%    | 6  |
| Much worse             | 2.94%     | 1  |
| Do not have an opinion | 14.71%    | 5  |
| TOTAL                  |           | 34 |



**Q10 Please list any comments, concerns, or suggestions you may have about the Commission on Indigent Defense, including the ease of obtaining information online. Your response may be quoted verbatim in a Committee report.**

Answered: 13    Skipped: 488

| #  | RESPONSES  | DATE               |
|----|--|--------------------|
| 1  | I feel that you really have no voice   | 3/1/2018 3:47 PM   |
| 2  | Inadequate training for most employees, Salary and Job responsibilities do not match up, lack of professionalism, Super Poor employee morale, Favoritism on a regular basis.               | 3/1/2018 2:53 PM   |
| 3  | If a lawyer isn't making a lilling he's not giving his best  | 2/21/2018 7:55 AM  |
| 4  | We need more funding for contract lawyers who are forced to conduct time consuming jury trials.  | 2/19/2018 5:22 PM  |
| 5  | Please provide more resources to this critical state agency  | 2/13/2018 11:14 AM |
| 6  | Not sensitive to need of customers   | 2/9/2018 6:27 PM   |
| 7  | With a diversely dedicated team of professionals, I would say the majority of the Public Defender's Office has genuine concern for the vast population we serve along with their dilemmas. | 2/8/2018 9:50 AM   |
| 8  | Agendas and minutes of commission meetings should be mad available online in a manner that is easy to locate.  | 2/7/2018 3:51 PM   |
| 9  | N/A  | 2/6/2018 3:37 PM   |
| 10 | Based on what I have heard, service is very minimal.   | 2/6/2018 9:25 AM   |
| 11 | They need to look at the crime that is bring done and punish acording to the crime. Nothing is black and white.  | 1/30/2018 10:35 AM |
| 12 | What is their purpose? Could most of these jobs be done by others saving us all money?   | 1/26/2018 9:20 PM  |
| 13 | My opinion may be bias, being that I'm from a rural county with a low budget.  | 1/24/2018 3:38 PM  |

## *Commission on Prosecution Coordination*

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| <b>Agency:</b>                                     | SC Commission on Prosecution Coordination (SCCPC)   |
| <b>Agency Head:</b>                                | David M. Ross, Executive Director   |
| <b>Agency established pursuant to...</b>           | Section 1-7-910. Commission on Prosecution Coordination Created.<br>“There is created a commission to coordinate all activities involving the prosecution of criminal cases in the State. The commission is known as the South Carolina Commission on Prosecution Coordination.”  |
| <b>Section 1-7-920.<br/>Commission Membership:</b> | The commission is composed of the following persons for terms as indicated:<br>(1) the Chairmen of the Senate and House Judiciary Committees for the terms for which they are elected or their legislative designees;<br>(2) the Chief of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division for the term for which he is appointed;<br>(3) the Director of the Department of Public Safety shall serve during the term for which he is appointed;<br>(4) a director of a Judicial Circuit Pretrial Intervention Program appointed by the Governor for a term of two years;<br>(5) a Judicial Circuit Victim-Witness Assistance Advocate appointed by the Governor for a term of two years;<br>(6) five judicial circuit solicitors appointed by the Governor for a term of four years. However, upon initial appointment, the Governor shall select one for a two-year term, two for a three-year term, and two for a four-year term. If a solicitor appointed to the commission is not re-elected, a vacancy occurs and it must be filled pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-7-930. |
| <b>Section 1-7-930. Vacancies:</b>                 | If a vacancy occurs, it must be filled for the remainder of the term in the same manner as the initial appointment.   |
| <b>Mission:</b>                                    | The mission of the South Carolina Commission on Prosecution Coordination is to enhance the professionalism and effectiveness of South Carolina’s Solicitors and their staff. We do this by providing legal education and publications, providing technical assistance, coordinating with other state, local, and federal agencies involved in the criminal justice system, providing administrative functions for the solicitors at the state level, as well as being a resource for the General Assembly on a range of issues.   |
| <b>Vision:</b>                                     | To enhance the ability of South Carolina’s state prosecutors to seek justice.   |

**FY 2017-18 Budget:**

Total Funds: \$35,855,125

General Funds: \$27,249,542

**Funding:**

“Funding for the commission must be derived from the per capita funding for state services for solicitors based upon a formula to be determined by the commission.” § 1-7-980.

**Executive Director:**

Section 1-7-960. Executive director; staff.

The commission has the authority to appoint an executive director who shall serve at the pleasure of the commission. He is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the commission and the coordination of the work with other state agencies. The commission has the authority to hire additional staff as provided for in the annual appropriations act in order to perform the duties of the commission.

**Compensation:**

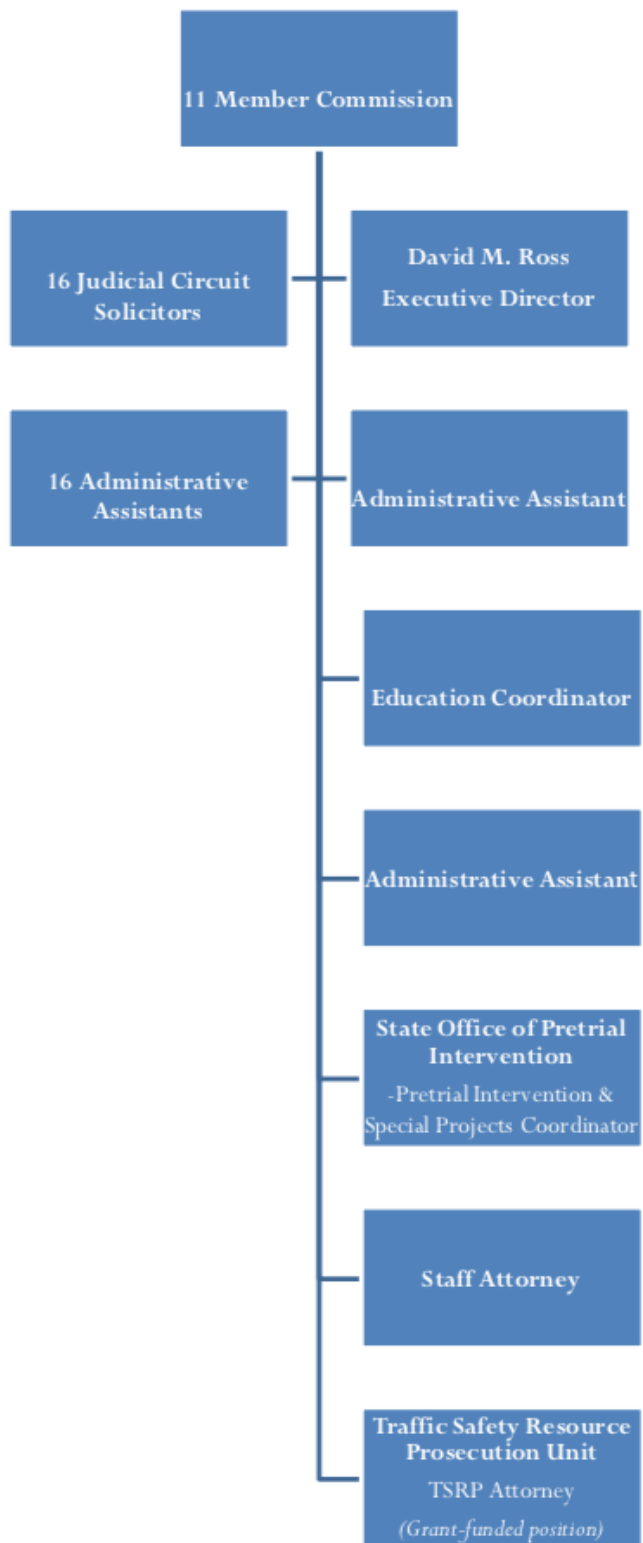
Section 1-7-970. Compensation; expenses.

Members of the commission shall serve without pay but are allowed the usual mileage, per diem, and subsistence as provided by law for members of state boards, committees, and commissions. The executive director of the commission shall approve all vouchers for necessary expenses which must be paid from an appropriation as provided for by the General Assembly for the operation of the commission.

**Promulgation of  
Regulations:**

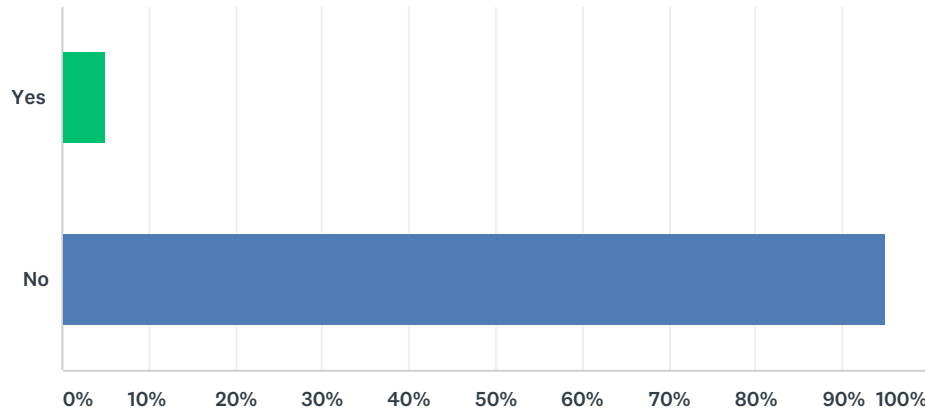
Section 1-7-990.

The Commission on Prosecution Coordination may promulgate those regulations necessary to assist it in performing its required duties as provided by this chapter.



## Q21 Would you like to provide input about the Commission on Prosecution Coordination?

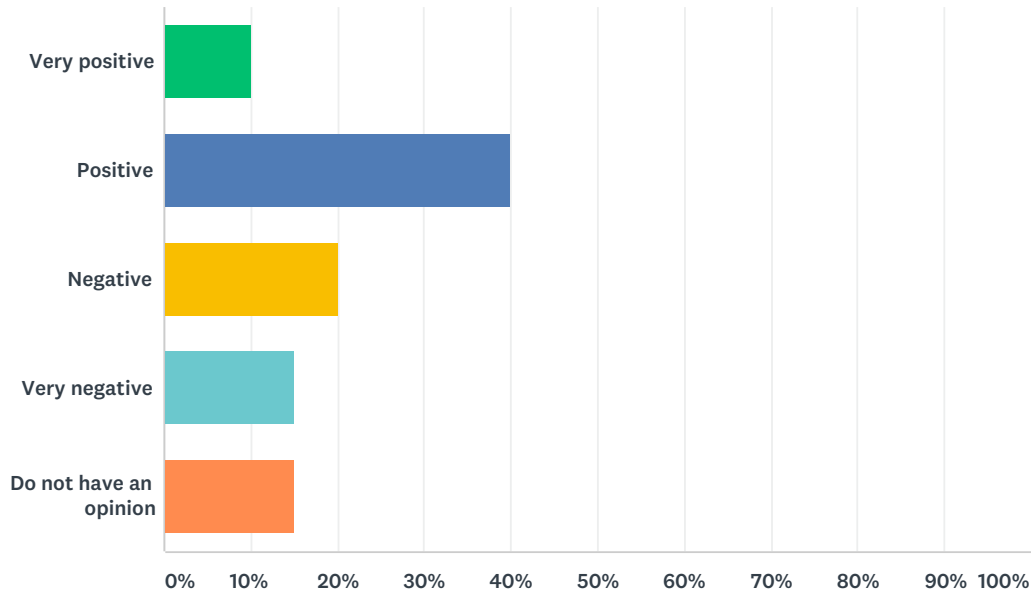
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| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |     |
|----------------|-----------|-----|
| Yes            | 5.03%     | 19  |
| No             | 94.97%    | 359 |
| TOTAL          |           | 378 |

## Q22 Overall, what is your opinion of the Commission on Prosecution Coordination?

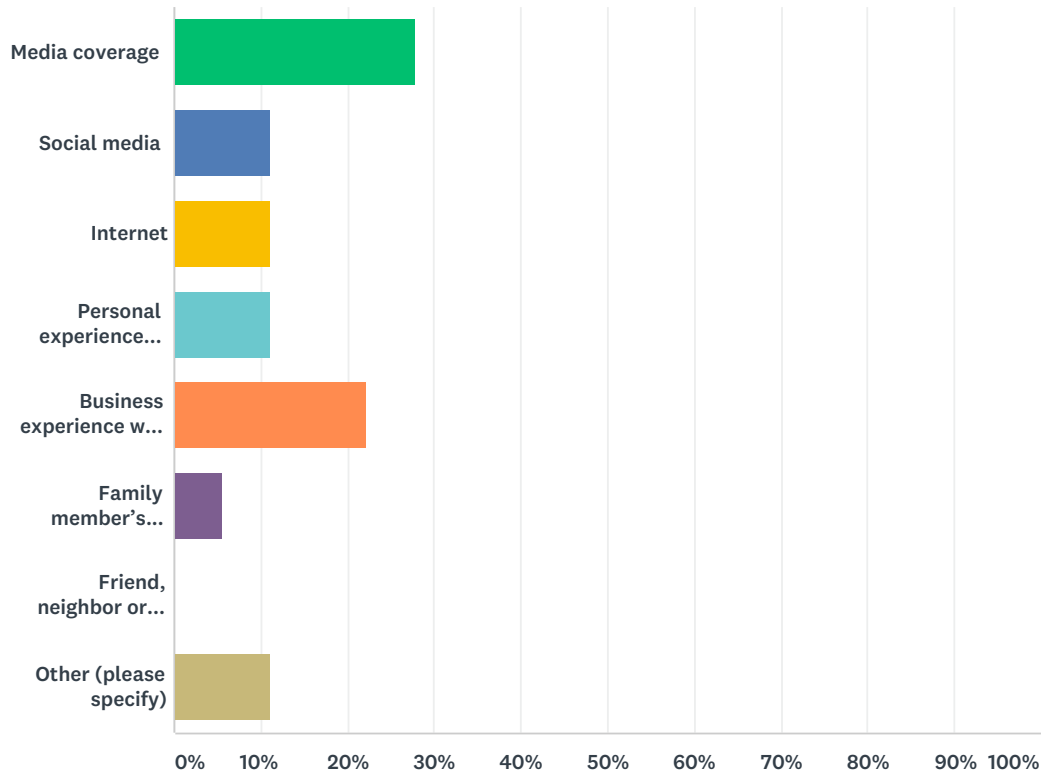
Answered: 20 Skipped: 481



| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very positive          | 10.00%    | 2  |
| Positive               | 40.00%    | 8  |
| Negative               | 20.00%    | 4  |
| Very negative          | 15.00%    | 3  |
| Do not have an opinion | 15.00%    | 3  |
| TOTAL                  |           | 20 |

## Q23 Which of the following has most influenced your opinion of the Commission on Prosecution Coordination?

Answered: 18 Skipped: 483



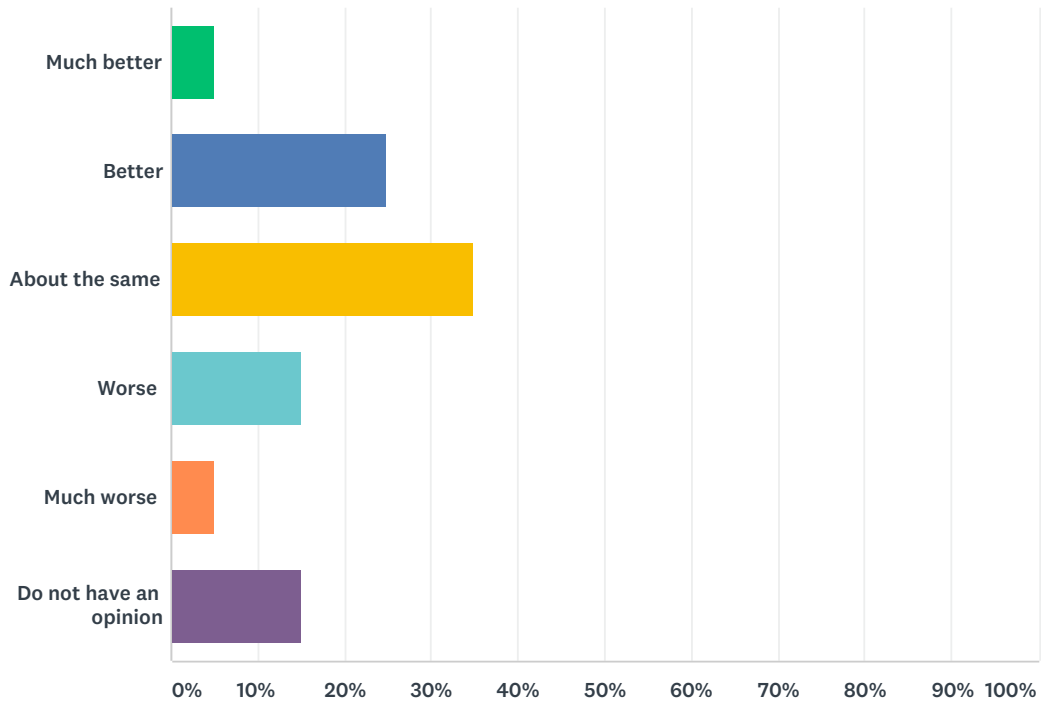
| ANSWER CHOICES   |  | RESPONSES |    |
|--|--|-----------|----|
| Media coverage   |  | 27.78%    | 5  |
| Social media   |  | 11.11%    | 2  |
| Internet   |  | 11.11%    | 2  |
| Personal experience with/tour of the agency                |  | 11.11%    | 2  |
| Business experience with the agency                        |  | 22.22%    | 4  |
| Family member's experience with the agency                 |  | 5.56%     | 1  |
| Friend, neighbor or colleague's experience with the agency |  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Other (please specify)                                     |  | 11.11%    | 2  |
| TOTAL  |  |           | 18 |

| # | OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY) | DATE              |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | jails are full         | 2/21/2018 7:58 AM |
| 2 | Just reading           | 1/26/2018 9:25 PM |



## Q24 How do you think the Commission on Prosecution Coordination functions on an overall basis in comparison to other state agencies in South Carolina?

Answered: 20 Skipped: 481



| ANSWER CHOICES         | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------|-----------|----|
| Much better            | 5.00%     | 1  |
| Better                 | 25.00%    | 5  |
| About the same         | 35.00%    | 7  |
| Worse                  | 15.00%    | 3  |
| Much worse             | 5.00%     | 1  |
| Do not have an opinion | 15.00%    | 3  |
| TOTAL                  |           | 20 |

**Q25 Please list any comments, concerns, or suggestions you may have about the Commission on Prosecution Coordination, including the ease of obtaining information online. Your response may be quoted verbatim in a Committee report.**

Answered: 6    Skipped: 495

| # | RESPONSES  | DATE               |
|---|--|--------------------|
| 1 | They drag their feet, take too much time to get the job done   | 2/21/2018 7:58 AM  |
| 2 | I'm not sure why this agency exists. They seem to get a lot of money- some from the filing fees- that may be better spent going to fund the court system itself. And judge's salaries.   | 2/13/2018 3:48 PM  |
| 3 | There is currently no online availability, including the Public Index to determining the prosecuting agency or individual Solicitor assigned to prosecute a specific case. It seems reasonable that prosecutors should be required to file appearance notices with the Court just like every other bar member. | 2/12/2018 1:32 PM  |
| 4 | Staff very helpful when seeking information  | 2/11/2018 11:42 PM |
| 5 | N/A  | 2/6/2018 3:38 PM   |
| 6 | Are prosecutors not able to coordinate without help of a board? Do they not have clerks and secretaries?   | 1/26/2018 9:25 PM  |



## Committee Mission

Determine if agency laws and programs are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of the General Assembly and whether they should be continued, curtailed or eliminated. Inform the public about state agencies.

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