South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

Division Presentations

HOUSE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRANSPORTATION, AND NATURAL RESOURCES
SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 3, 2018



AGENDA

- State Fire
- Division of Professional and Occupational Licensing (POL)
 - Legal
- Administration
 - Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs
 - Division of Technology and Security
 - Human Resources



State Fire

Division of Fire and Life Safety

Presenter: Jonathan Jones – State Fire Marshal and Deputy Director

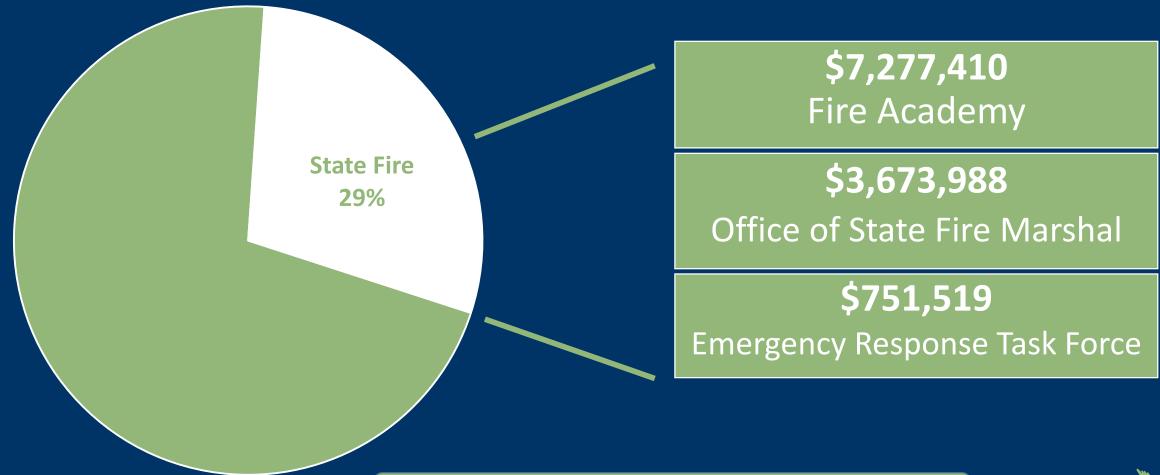


State Fire Employees





State Fire Expenditures



\$1,395,050 - Capital Improvement Expenditures







State Fire

GOAL

Ensure State Fire is a leader and focal point for service and support in South Carolina to preserve life and property.



State Fire Academy

Emergency Response
Task Force



Laws Governing

- Authority and Duties of the State Fire Marshal S.C. Code Ann. Sections 23-9-10 et seq.
- Volunteer Strategic Assistance and Fire Equipment Program S.C. Code Ann.
 Section 23-9-25.
- Volunteer Incentive Program S.C. Code Ann. Section 23-9-190
- Arson Control Program S.C. Code Ann. Sections 23-9-210 to 23-9-230
- South Carolina Hydrogen Permitting Act S.C. Code Ann. Sections 23-9-510 to 23-9-570
- Firefighter Mobilization Act S.C. Code Ann. Sections 23-49-10 to 23-49-120



Laws Governing

- South Carolina Fire Academy S.C. Code Ann. Sections 23-10-10 to 23-10-20
- Use of Pyrotechnics Before a Proximate Audience S.C. Code Ann. 23-35-45 and 23-45-150
- Explosives Control Act S.C. Code Ann. Sections 23-36-10 to 23-36-170
- Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity Standards and Firefighter Protection Act –
 S.C. Code Ann. 23-51-10 to 23-51-110
- State Fire Marshal's certification of designated personnel of the State Engineer's Office – S.C. Code Ann. 6-9-100
- State Fire Marshal's inspection of jails and prisons S.C. Code Ann. Section24-9-20



Agency Partners

- S.C. Department of Corrections, Jail and Prison Inspections Division
- S.C. Department of Education, Office of School Facilities
- S.C. National Guard
- Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
- S.C. State Firefighters' Association
- S.C. Association of Fire Chiefs
- S.C. Fire Marshals Association
- S.C. Society of Fire Service Instructors
- S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control
- S.C. Department of Social Services
- S.C. Department of Administration
- S.C Department of Disabilities and Special Needs
- American Red Cross, South Carolina Region





Smoke alarms installed in FY18



Counties visited through Fire Safe S.C. in FY18

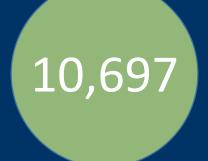


Citizens contacted through direct delivery of CRR programs



2,059

Licensees and permit holders

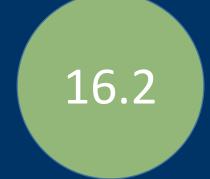


Inspections performed in FY18



1,103

Engineering plans reviewed



Average (days) review time in 2017



102

Fire-related fatalities in 2017



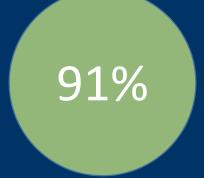
Fire-related fatalities YTD in 2018



State Fire Academy: Enhance the training and capabilities of South Carolina's paid, volunteer, and industrial fire service personnel

27,710

Number of students taught in FY18



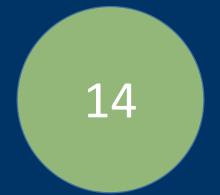
Student completion rate



State Fire Academy: Enhance the training and capabilities of South Carolina's paid, volunteer, and industrial fire service personnel

19

Number of IFSAC/Pro Board accredited programs



Number of EMT Instructors



Emergency Response Task Force: Save lives and minimize property loss by enhancing and coordinating firefighting and rescue resources to respond to statewide and local emergencies

113

Number of deployable members of SC Task Force 1



Full Operational Readiness Exercise of SC TF-1 Disciplines in 2018

Internal Changes

- New Records Management System for OSFM
 - Contract awarded
 - 6-month implementation
 - Impact
 - Decrease number of days for plan review
 - Increase number of license and permit applications submitted electronically
 - Decrease turnaround time to conduct inspections



Amend section 23-9-10 et seq.

- Amends the statute to include the full range of duties and powers of the State
 Fire Marshal in one section and deletes outdated provisions.
- Amends the statute to define the authority of the State Fire Marshal and those who act under the authority of the State Fire Marshal.
- Allows the State Fire Marshal to establish procedures to discipline or revoke the certification of a certified Fire Marshal.
- Amends the statute to identify all classes of fire equipment permits and licenses regulated by the Office of State Fire Marshal.



Section 23-10-10 "Operation of South Carolina Fire Academy; Fire Academy Advisory Committee created; membership."

- Defines Fire Academy operation and make-up of its advisory committee.
- Amends the chapter title and 23-10-10 to reflect the title used in the field, as well as correct names of associated institutions and titles of personnel, committees, and divisions.

Section 23-49-120 "Donations of fire protection, control and rescue equipment."

- Allows the Forestry Commission to receive donations of equipment.
- Amends the statute to allow State Fire (in addition to Forestry) to receive donations of equipment.



Section 23-9-25 "Volunteer Strategic Assistance and Fire Equipment Program"

- Establishes the V-SAFE grant program requirements, eligibility requirements, peer-review panel, and peer-review panel responsibilities.
- Amends the statute to allow the peer-review panel the authority to establish funding priorities for each grant cycle and gives the peer-review panel the authority to consider grant amendments after award.

Division of Professional and Occupational Licensing (POL)

Presenter: Dean Grigg – Deputy Director

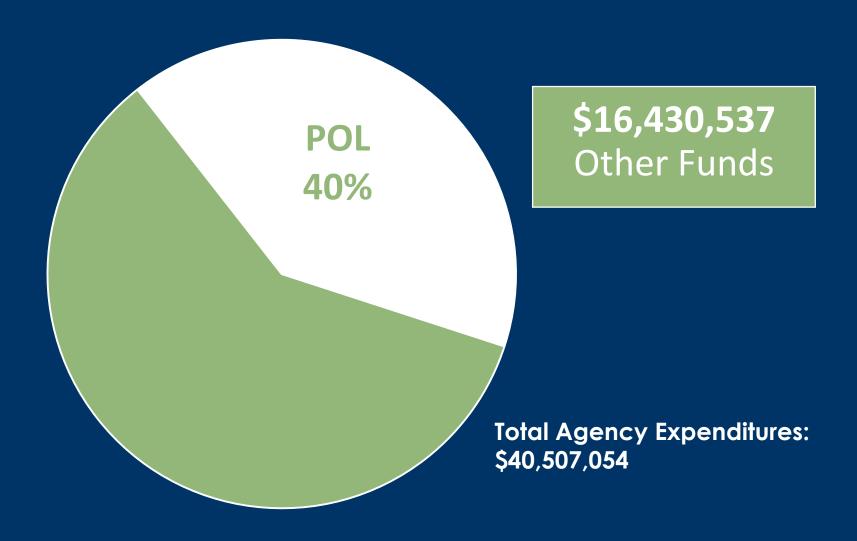


POL Employees





POL Expenditures





POL

GOAL

Protect the public by ensuring efficient and effective licensing, permitting, inspection and enforcement operations for the State's regulated professions and occupations.



Office of Board Services

- 17 Health and Medically Related Boards
- 25 Building and Business Boards-Over 400,000 licensees



Office of Investigations and Enforcement

Conducts investigations and inspections, including Wages and Labor complaints



Laws Governing POL

Title 40, Chapter 1 (the Engine)

- Purpose of POL is to protect the public through the regulation of professional and occupational licensees and the administration of boards charged with the regulation of its practitioners (S.C. Code Ann. §40-1-40).
- Establishes the powers and duties of boards (S.C. Code Ann. §40-1-70).
- Grants authority to investigate and sanction (S.C. Code Ann. §40-1-80 and S.C. Code Ann. §40-1-120).

Practice Acts

- Establish composition of board membership.
- Establish statutory requirements for licensure and compliance with professional standards.
- Authorize boards to promulgate regulations.

Division Partners

Professional Associations

Training Partners

- CLEAR
- REID

Governmental Agencies

- DHEC
- SLED/FBI
- DAODAS
- DOR

Third Party Contractors

- Testing companies
- Recovering Professional Program
- CE Broker
- SR&I (Background Checks for Real Estate Commission)



Health and Medical Boards

Board of Nursing - 77,007

Board of Medical Examiners – **26,858**

Board of Pharmacy – **26,319**

Board of Dentistry – 13,007

Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – **7,086**

Board of Social Work Examiners – **5,834**

Licensure of Professional Counselors – 4,738

Board of Occupational Therapy – 3,654

Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology – **3,236**

Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners – **3,052**

Board of Chiropractic Examiners – **1,765**

Panel for Dietetics – 1,297

Board of Long Term Health Care Administrators – 1,222

Board of Examiners in Opticianry – **1,133**

Board of Examiners in Optometry – **966**

Board of Psychology – **862**

Board of Podiatry – **201**



Building and Business Boards

Real Estate Commission – **64,286**

Board of Cosmetology – 41,305

Contractors Licensing Board – **36,468**

Board of Engineers and Surveyors - 32,649

Residential Builders Commission – **21,539**

Environmental Certification Board – **8,778**

Board of Barber Examiners – **8,084**

Board of Accountancy – **7,788**

Board of Architectural Examiners – 5,779

Massage / Bodywork Panel – 4,644

Real Estate Appraisers Board – 2,972

Board of Funeral Service – 2,730

Liquefied Petroleum Gas Board – 1,661

Athletic Commission – 1,524

Building Codes Council – 1,231

Board of Manufactured Housing – **1,161**

Auctioneers Commission – 1,079

Board of Landscape Architectural Examiners – 885

Pyrotechnic Safety – **872**

Board of Registration for Foresters – **701**

Board of Registration for Geologists – 636

Boiler Safety Program - 178

SC Perpetual Care Cemetery Board – 118

Soil Classifiers Advisory Council – 46

Pilotage Commission – **26**



Office of Board Services (OBS)

Ensure the public's health and safety by issuing licenses to qualified members of the public who meet the educational - and statutorily - required standards and by issuing permits to facilities that likewise demonstrate compliance with legal requirements and standards.

LLR Staff:

- 122 employees
- 17 administrators
- Assisted by Operational Management (OM)

Over 300 Board Members

- Determine eligibility of applicants
- Establish criteria for issuance of licensure
- Approve continuing education
- Establish professional codes of conduct
- Promulgate regulations
- Quasi-judicial role for complaints against licensees

Office of Board Services (OBS)

Issued over 47,000 initial licenses

65% paper application vs. 35% online application

Issued over 182,000 renewals

 8% paper application vs. 92% online application



Office of Board Services (OBS)

Statutorily required to conduct FBI criminal background checks for 5 boards:

- Nursing
- Medical
- Long Term Health Care
- Accountancy
- Real Estate Commission (2020)

11,380 background checks for Nursing, Medical, LTHC and Accountancy at initial licensure

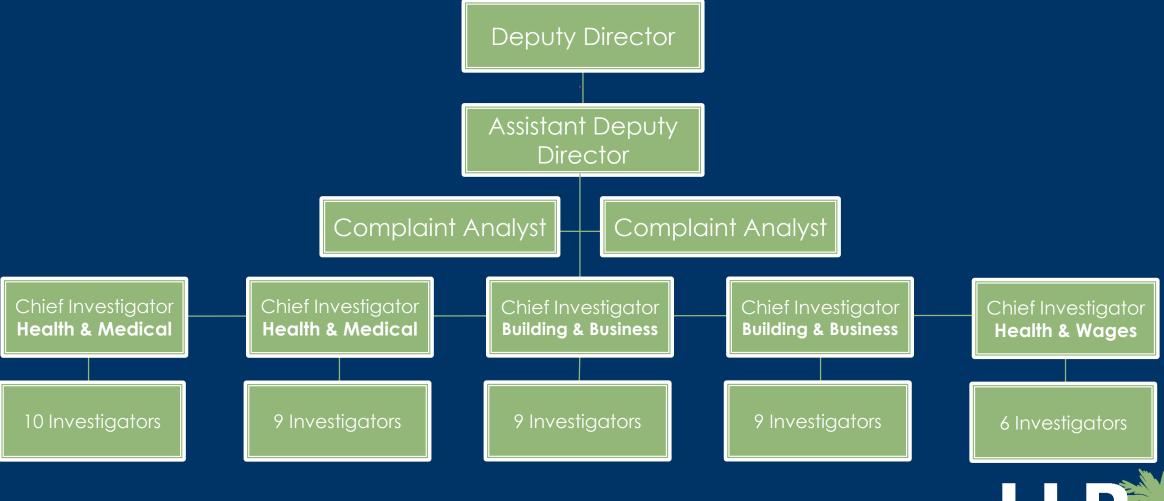
Increase to over 61,000 background checks for Real Estate – required at initial and renewal

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)

Ensure the public's health and safety by investigating complaints to ensure compliance with statutorily-required professional standards



Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)





Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)



Complaints Received



Investigations Opened



Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)

Boards/Divisions with greatest number of investigations:





Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)

Ensure the public's health and safety by inspecting facilities for compliance with standards required by law



Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)



Internal Changes and Process Improvements

- Third Party Testing
- Centralized Intake of Paper Applications
- CE Broker
- Implementation of FBI Background Check Process
- Uniform Coding System
- Customer Satisfaction Surveys



Customer Satisfaction Survey

Survey Questions

- Rate your overall satisfaction with the service you received.
- Staff was able to effectively resolve your issues in a timely manner.
- Staff was courteous and polite while assisting you.
- Staff was knowledgeable and able to directly answer your questions.
- The information and the forms located on the website were helpful and easily obtained.
- The website was easy to access and navigate.
- You were able to make telephone contact with the appropriate staff during business hours with minimal delays.
- Your telephone messages and/or emails were responded to by staff within 24 hours.

Extremely Satisfied – Satisfied – Somewhat Satisfied Somewhat Unsatisfied – Extremely Unsatisfied



Survey Results

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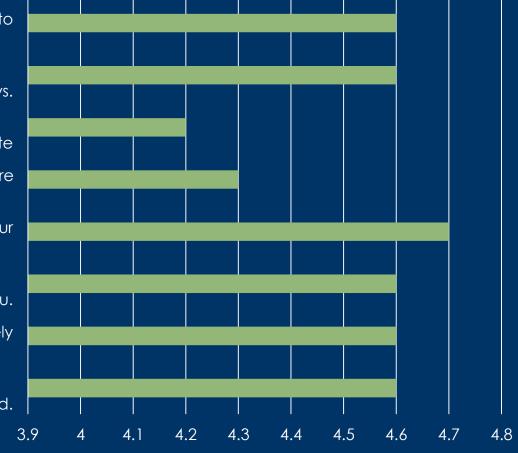
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Legal Services – Offices of Disciplinary Counsel and Advice

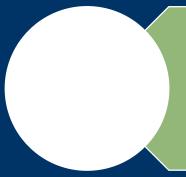
Presenter: Melina Mann – General Counsel



Legal Services

GOAL

Provide effective and quality prosecutorial legal support and advice to the agency, and provide exemplary in-house legal services to the agency's divisions.



Office of Disciplinary Counsel



Office of Advice Counsel



Office of Disciplinary Counsel

Providing Effective and Quality Prosecutorial Legal Services

- Prosecute cases alleging misconduct against licensees
- Advise investigators and staff
- Appeals of disciplinary decisions
- Recommend process improvements for the disciplinary process

13 Attorneys

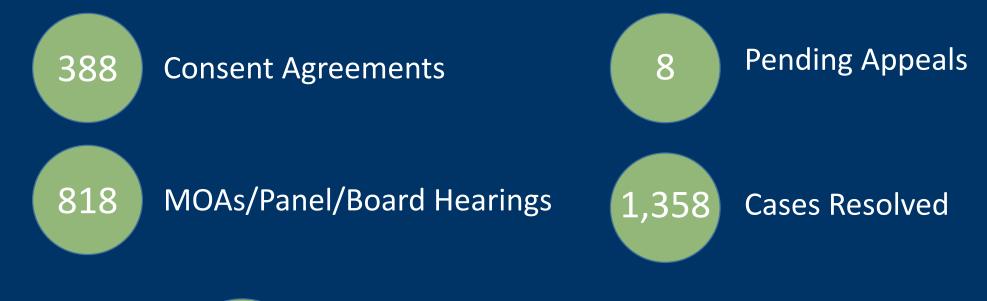
6 Admin Coordinators

1 Admin Assistant

2 Law Clerks



Office of Disciplinary Counsel







Office of Advice

Providing Exemplary In-House Legal Services

- Serve as counsel to the professional and occupational boards and commissions, and their administrative staff
- Provide legal advice and support on licensure and disciplinary decisions during administrative hearings
- Draft final orders and advisory opinions
- Provide board training
- Draft board regulations
 - 7 Attorneys
 - 1 Staff Attorney

2 Support Staff



Office of Advice

Providing Exemplary In-House Legal Services







Law Changes

- 40-8-160 (Cemetery) Amends to allow dissemination of final orders by email to state, local, and professional associations rather than mail. This does not change service requirements to a respondent.
- 40-9-31 (Chiropractors) Repeals reference to the Attorney General's Office and to provide that service of board's decision on appeal does not stay the final order.
- 40-15-180 (Dentistry), 40-55-130 (Psychologists), 40-75-90 (Counselors) Amends to allow the
 ODC attorney rather than board president to sign the formal complaint against a respondent.
- 40-29-60 (Manufactured Housing) Amends to allow a respondent to have a hearing before the full board as opposed to only a hearing officer.
- 40-37-20 & 420 (Optometrists) Repeals definitions for basic certified optometrist and diagnostic certified optometrist and to delete references to transition in requirements that expired in 2008.
- 40-59-270 (Residential Builders) Amends to delete a reference to residential building "as defined in 40-59-10," as residential building is not a defined term in the practice act.

Law Changes

- Amend section 40-1-90 to set forth the law regarding service of notice of hearing.
- Amend section 40-1-190 to add confidentiality of complaints during the investigations, clarify that the respondent has access to the complaint, and allow the agency to share information with other governmental agencies.
- Amend section 40-1-150 to clarify the difference between a permanent relinquishment and a voluntary surrender of a professional or occupational license.
- Amend section 40-1-50 to delete the requirement that the agency director submit
 an annual report to the Governor and General Assembly indicating the professions
 and occupations that do not meet the spirit and intent of 40-1-10.
- Amend section 40-1-50 to delete the requirement that the board submit three
 names to the agency director for selection of the board administrator position.

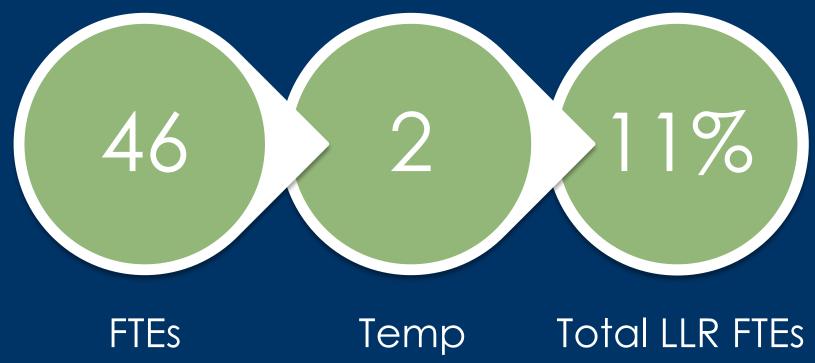


Administration

- Communications and Governmental Affairs
- Department of Technology and Security
- Human Resources

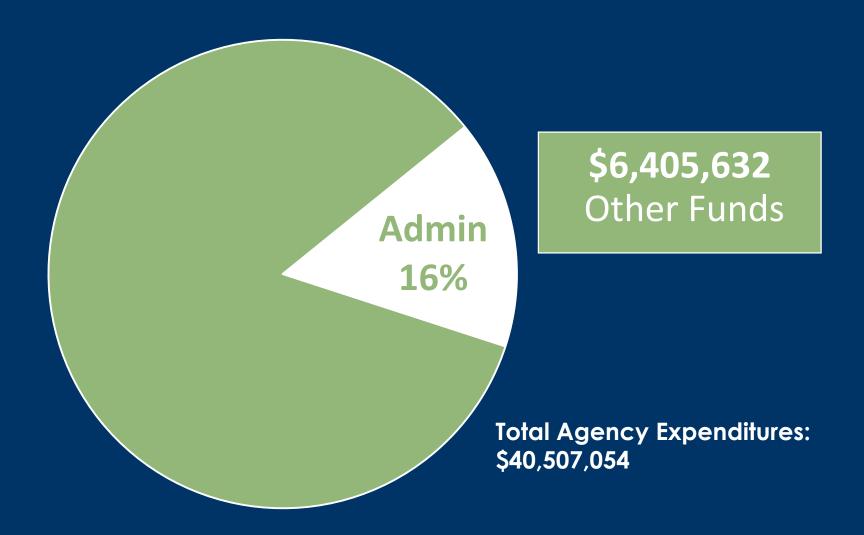


Administration Employees





Administration Expenditures





Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs

Presenter: Holly Beeson - Counsel



Communications

 Promotes and explains to the public the Agency's goals, activities and services using the website, print and broadcast media, and social media, including Facebook and Twitter.

304 Media Requests 25 Per Month (Average)



Communications

 Receives, tracks and responds to all requests for information, including FOIA requests and subpoenas.

1,015

FOIA Requests, FY17-18

3.9

Requests per day (average)

Responsive materials ranged from 1 page to several thousand pages.

47

Subpoenas, FY17-18



Ombudsman

 Reviews all customer feedback surveys and makes recommendations on ways to improve customer service.

4,435 Customer Service Surveys Reviewed

 Researches all complaints from the public or licensees regarding interaction with the Agency and its employees and resolves the same.

478 Inquiries or Complaints



Governmental Affairs

Bills during the 2017-2018 legislative session

15

Promulgated in the 2017 legislative session

Promulgated in the 2018 legislative session



Social Media



Facebook - @scllr • 162 Likes



Twitter - @scdllr836 Followers



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Sharon Dumit, SC OSHA Outreach and Education Manager, and Charles Price, SC OSHA Health Compliance Supervisor, participate in the University of South Carolina STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) career fair today.



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Comment Comment



Law Changes

- Amend section 40-1-70 to add that the powers and duties of the boards include making recommendations for statutory revisions.
- Amend section 40-1-120 to clarify that a nondisciplinary letter of caution is not subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

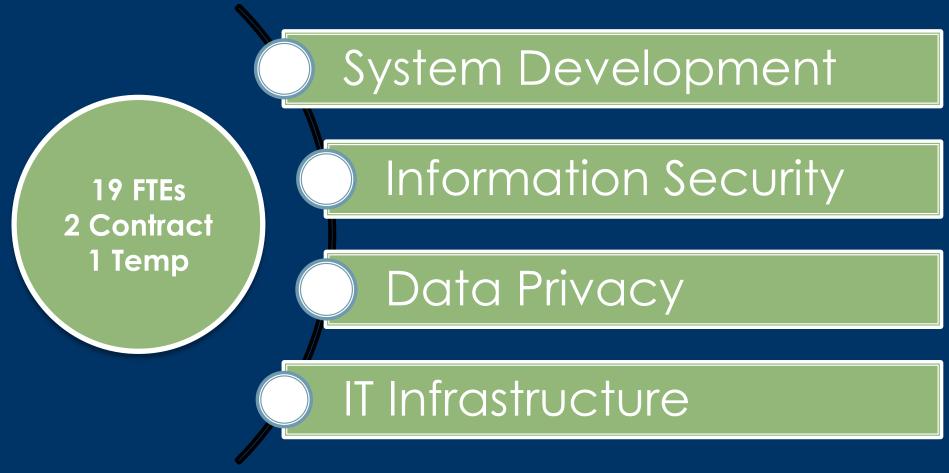


Department of Technology & Security (DoTS)

Presenter: Matt Faile – Chief Information
Officer



Department of Technology & Security



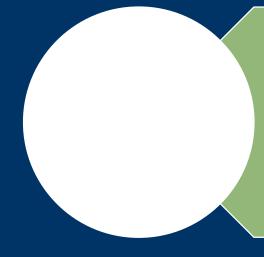


System Development

Primary Role: Create and maintain program area systems

GOAL

Enhance the agency's system portfolio to continue to strengthen coordination and performance across agency programs.



Customers

 For internal and external customers, improve the user experience through enhanced functionality and online services



Information Security

Primary Role: Protect customer information by focusing on people and process.

GOAL

Ensure the security of Agency customers and employees and their data.

People

- Security Awareness Training for Agency staff
- Limit access to what is required for job duties

Process

- Change Management Monitor additions and changes to Agency systems
- Incident handling and resolution



Data Privacy

Primary Role: Limiting customer information by focusing on licensing regulations and retention policies.

GOAL

Protect data of customers and employees.

Privacy Officer

- Incident handling and resolution
- Data classification
- Interpret privacy laws and regulations



Infrastructure

Primary Role: Expand the capacity and increase the reliability of the agency's IT infrastructure.

GOAL

Expand the capacity and increase the reliability of agency IT infrastructure.

Maintain Agency Enterprise Equipment

Maintain Disaster Recovery Data Center

Provide IT Support for Agency program areas



Agency Systems Designed and Maintained by DoTS Staff

Professional & Agency Internal Use

State Fire

State Fire

Agency Internal Use

45



Office of Human Resources

Presenter: Kathryn Britt – HR Director





HR Operations

<u>Employee</u> <u>Relations/Benefits</u>

Training & Development Director I

<u>Training/Rewards & Recognition</u>

HR Manager II

HR Transactions/Class and Compensation

Lead HR Specialist

Recruitment & Employment/HRIS

HR Manager II
Benefits

<u>Administrator/Time & Leave Administrator</u>

HR Specialist

Recruitment & Employment/HRIS



HR Operations

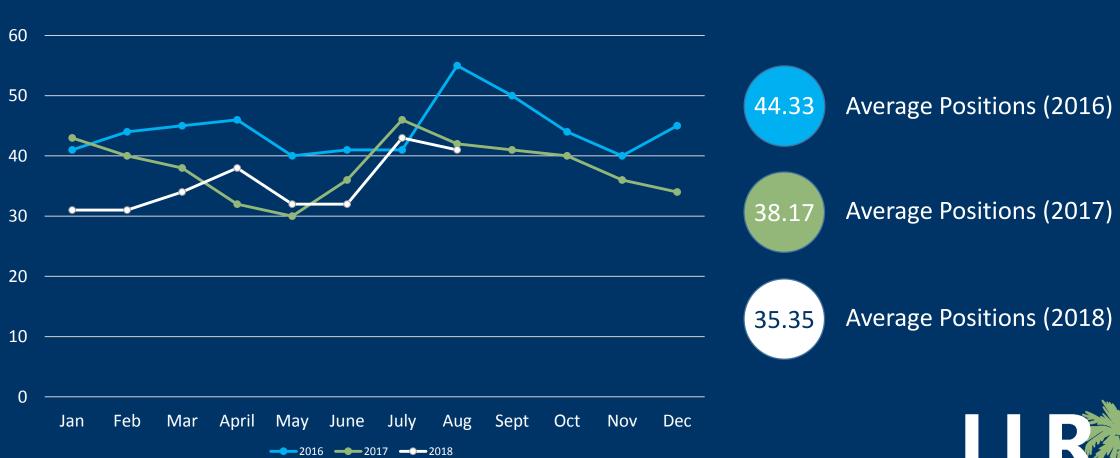
Strategy: To support the goals and mission of the Agency by recruiting, developing, and retaining quality employees

Objectives:

- Recruitment and Employment
 - to recruit and hire highly qualified candidates
- Training and Development
 - to promote and develop a competent and productive workforce
- Retention
 - to develop and promote a positive culture and environment to successfully retain productive and quality employees

Recruitment and Employment

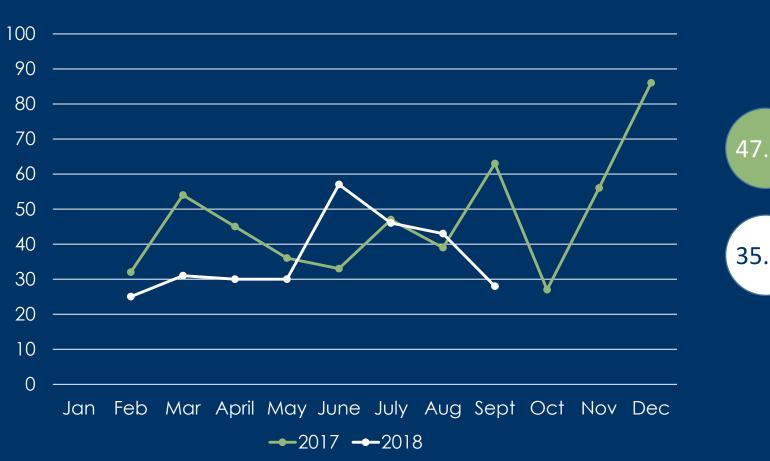
Average Number of Vacancies





Recruitment and Employment

Average Business Days to Fill Vacancies



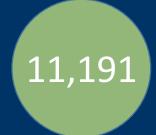
47.09 Average Business Days (2017)

35.35 Average Business Days (2018)



ACCOUNTABILITY. CUSTOMER SERVICE. EXCELLENCE. INTEGRITY

Recruitment and Employment



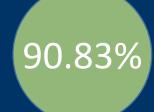
Applications for Posted Positions which Represents a **20.19%** Increase



Job Fairs



Job Boards



Acceptance Rate with Offered Positions



Training and Development

- Internal Classroom Training and Offerings
 - New Hire Orientation and Onboarding
 - Manager Orientation
 - Customer Service
 - Driver Training
 - Employee Performance Management System
 - Interview and Selection
 - Performance Remediation
- Additional Internal Training and Development Scheduled for 2019
 - Leadership Development Curriculum
 - Time Management
 - Communication Skills
 - Team Building

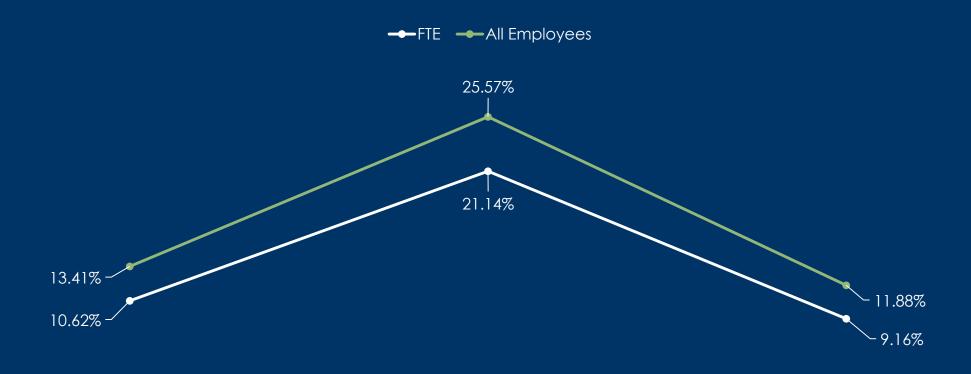


Training and Development

- Online Training through MySCCentral
 - Code of Conduct
 - SANS (SysAdmin, Audit, Network, Security)
 - Privacy
 - Active Shooter Response
 - Promote Use of the Catalog of Courses Developed by Department of Administration
- External Training
 - Certified Public Manager
 - Specialized External Training Supported by Divisions/Offices



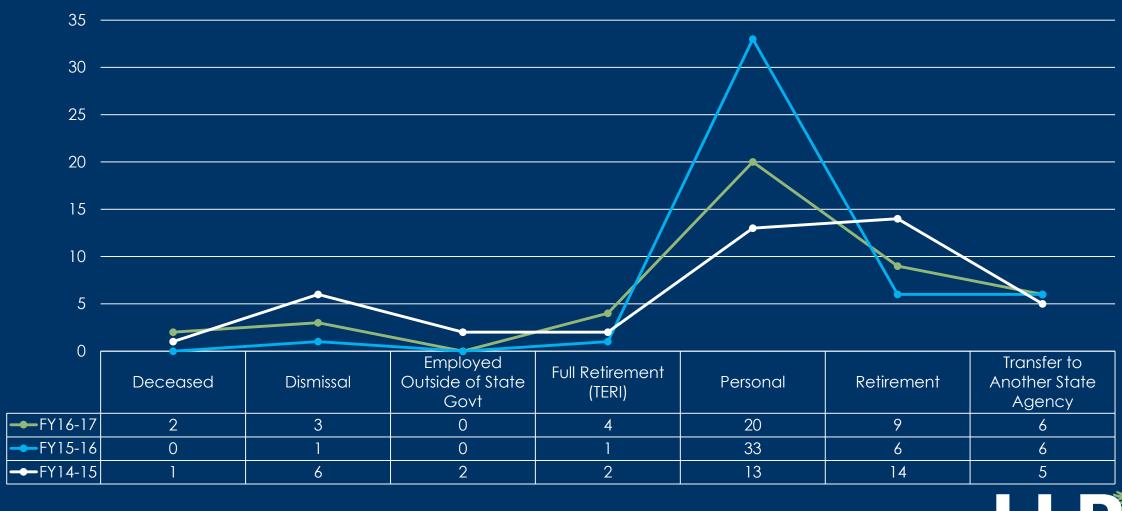
Agency Turnover



FY14-15 FY15-16 FY16-17



Agency Turnover (FTE Separation Reasons)



Retention

- Class and Compensation Reviews and Analysis
- Supporting Wellness Initiatives and Events
- Employee Appreciation and State Service Recognition
- Performance Management
 - EPMS (Employee Performance Management System)
 - Performance Remediation



Retention

- Communication and Feedback
 - Regular Communication and Information Distributed to Employees
 - Agency Intranet
 - Open Door Policy
 - Exit Interview Survey (revised and launched July 1, 2018)
 - New Hire Survey (launched July 1, 2017)



New Hire Survey Results

July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

