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MEETING MINUTES

**Wednesday, October 29, 2025
10:30 a.m.
Room 516 – Blatt Building**

Archived Video Available

- I. Pursuant to House Legislative Oversight Committee Rule 6.7, 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

The Law Enforcement and Criminal and Civil Justice Subcommittee meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Wooten on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, in Room 516 of the Blatt Building. Representative Jeffrey E. “Jeff” Johnson, Representative Kambrell H. Garvin, Representative Leon D. “Doug” Gilliam, and Representative William H. Bailey were present for all or a portion of the meeting.

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.

Approval of Minutes

- I. Representative Gilliam made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from prior meeting. A roll call vote was held, and the motion passed.

Rep. Garvin's motion to approve meeting minutes.	Yea	Nay	Not Voting
Rep. Wooten	✓		
Rep. Johnson			✓
Rep. Garvin			✓
Rep. Gilliam	✓		
Rep. Bailey	✓		

Discussion of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division

- I. Prior to beginning today's testimony, Chair Wooten asks if there are any SLED agency representatives who may address the subcommittee today or at future meetings who have not been placed under oath. Major Dr. C. Todd Hughley, Director of SLED Forensic Services Laboratory; Captain Emily B. Reingart, Forensic Administration; Lieutenant Donna Money, DNA Casework; and Paul Ahearn, Deputy General Counsel for SLED were all sworn. In addition, representatives from the Legislative Audit Council (LAC) were present to present the council's findings and conclusions from the Review of the Statewide Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System. K. Earle Powell, Director; Marcia A. Lindsay, Director of Audits; Jordan Kneece, Esq., Senior Auditor; Julia Buchanan, Auditor; and Katelyn Hulion, Auditor were all sworn.
- II. Marcia A. Lindsay then begins her presentation to the subcommittee and discusses the following topics:
 1. The South Carolina Legislative Audit Council's Review of the Statewide Sexual Assault Kit Tracking System Operated by the S.C. State Law Enforcement Division.

Throughout her presentation to the subcommittee, Members ask Marcia Lindsay questions and she responds.

- III. SLED Chief Mark Keel begins his presentation to the subcommittee and discusses the following topics:
 1. Response to the LAC's Report.

Throughout his presentation to the subcommittee, Members ask Chief Keel questions and he responds.

IV. Marcia A. Lindsay then responds to Chief Keel's presentation, after which the subcommittee took a brief recess.

V. Major Dr. C. Todd Hughley begins his presentation to the subcommittee and discusses the following topics:

1. Overview of SLED Forensic Services.

Throughout his presentation to the subcommittee, Members ask Major Hughley questions and he responds.

Adjournment

- I. There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned.