

SOUTH CAROLINA

ELECTION COMMISSION

Budget Request Presentation FY 2024-25

House Ways and Means Constitutional Subcommittee

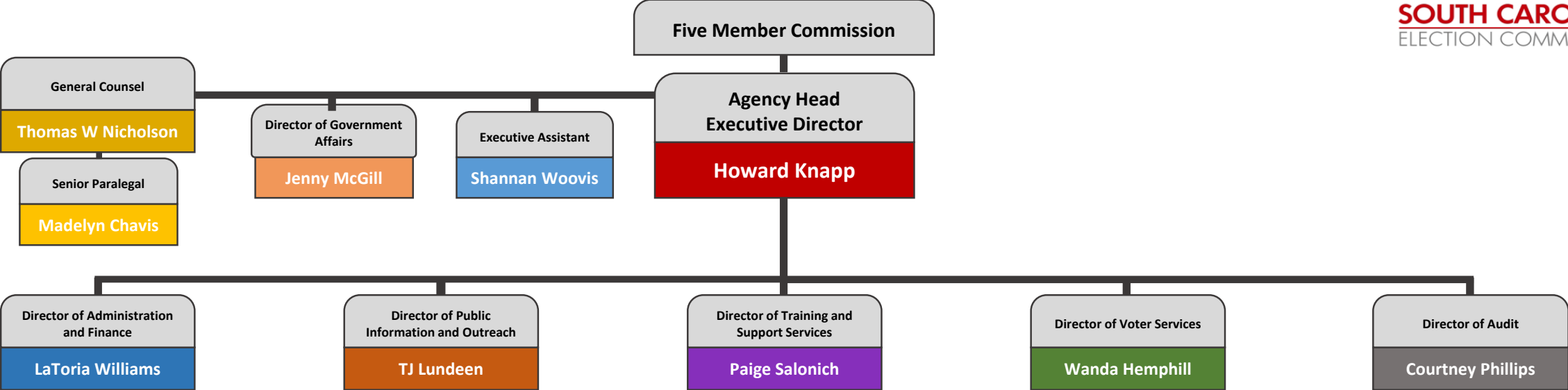
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S.C. State Election Commission
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S.C. State Election Commission

Budget Request Summary

The mission of the State Election Commission (SEC) is to ensure every eligible citizen in South Carolina has the opportunity to register to vote, to participate in fair and impartial elections, and have the assurance that their vote will count.

The SEC is charged by law with:

- Maintaining the statewide voter registration system
- Supporting the statewide voting system
- Supervising 46 county boards of voter registration and elections
- Performing audits and analyses of county boards of registration and elections
- Assisting with county operations if a county election office fails to comply with state and federal law or SEC policies and procedures; or if a county is unable to certify election results in a timely manner
- Conducting a training and certification program for local election officials
- Conducting candidate filing and providing a candidate tracking system

Priority 1

The SEC is requesting \$326,200 in recurring funds for recruitment and retention. This appropriation would:

- Allow the SEC to compete with the private sector for the recruitment and retention of talent to drive and accomplish its organizational goals.
- Reduce turnover, retain critical talent, and compete with other state agencies, counties, and private sector in the tight labor market.
- Adequately compensate staff for performance of job duties is essential to the SEC being able to recruit and retain qualified individuals, enabling the accomplishment of the agency's goals and mission.

Priority 2

The SEC is also requesting \$11,500,000 in recurring funds to support the mission and programs of the agency and cover the cost of statewide election expenses and the necessary supplies and reimbursements to counties.

- In 2025, elections for all South Carolina General Assembly seats will be held in addition to the presidential election. For each election cycle, the state provides direct reimbursements for election expenses to the 46 county voter registration and elections offices. Examples of these expenses include legal notices, commercial ballot printing, voter registration applications, absentee ballots, ballot cards, ballot activation cards.
- Since the passage of Act 150 and the implementation of early voting in 2022, the amount of resources needed to carry out an election and the number of days on which voting actually takes place in South Carolina has increased significantly which increases the costs to run an election.
- The State Election Commission provides tremendous financial support to the 46 county boards of voter registration and elections to help cover the cost of election expenses. Without this financial support, it would be impossible to carry out accessible, efficient, and accurate elections.
- State and local election officials share in the responsibility of conducting elections. The SEC, as the chief election agency in the state, is responsible for overseeing the overall voter registration and election process. Each year, South Carolina holds approximately 300 elections.

Priority 3

The SEC is also requesting \$4,000,0000 in recurring funds to support the mission and programs of the agency and increase the amount of funds reimbursed to counties for poll worker pay.

- Election workers are critical to conducting fair and impartial elections. Ongoing harassment, threats, and increased demands have made it harder to recruit and retain poll workers. Many counties are experiencing a shortage of poll workers.
- The State Election Commission is requesting \$4,000,000 to allocate to poll worker pay. This request will allow for an overall increase of \$25 per day of work and an increase of \$15 per training bringing the total per day of work to \$100 and the total per training to \$75.
- This would be the first increase to poll worker pay in recent history. This request would also allow for standby poll workers to receive a per diem payment of \$75 whereas

standby poll workers are not currently paid for training received if they are needed to work an election.

- If the funds are not provided, South Carolina elections will be severely impacted and it will grow increasingly more difficult to recruit, train, and retain poll workers.

Priority 4

The SEC is also requesting \$1,046,250 in recurring funds to support the mission and programs of the agency and increase the amount paid to county board members.

- Across the state, there are 46 boards of voter registration and elections consisting of three to nine board members per board. The State Election Commission is requesting \$1,035,000 for county board member stipends to include an overall increase of \$1,000 per year per board member bringing the total stipend paid per board member per year to \$2,500 with a maximum of \$22,500 per county.
- There has not been an increase to the board member stipend in recent history. If the funds are not provided, South Carolina elections will be severely impacted and it will grow increasingly more difficult to recruit, train, and retain board members for county boards of voter registration and elections.
- The State Election Commission consists of a five-member board that constitutes as the State Board of Canvassers. The State Election Commission holds monthly meetings which the public are invited to attend. As the State Board of Canvassers, the Board meets as needed throughout the year to certify election results. The State Election Commission is requesting \$11,250 to increase the overall stipend for the State Board of Canvassers to \$2,250 per board member, per year.
- There has not been an increase to the State Board of Canvassers compensation in recent history. If the funds are not provided, South Carolina elections will be severely impacted and it will grow increasingly more difficult for the State Board of Canvassers to carry out their duties as defined by state law.

Priority 5

The SEC is also requesting \$300,000 in recurring funds to support the mission and programs of the agency and provide funding for election integrity and voter list maintenance.

- Election integrity and voter list maintenance is a top priority for the agency. The State Election Commission is tasked with maintaining the statewide voter registration system.
- With the growing amount of data the agency is receiving in order to keep the voter list as accurate as possible, ongoing software and technology upgrades are needed to ensure list accuracy. Additionally, it is imperative that the voter registration system be updated as quickly and accurately as possible.
- The State Election Commission is requesting \$300,000 for necessary dues, enhancements, and technological upgrades to the statewide voter registration. If the funds are not provided, South Carolina elections will be severely impacted.

Priority 6

The SEC is requesting \$216,977 in non-recurring funds for the state match required by the federal funds received by the Help America Vote Act grant received in 2023.

- The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2022 provides funds to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) as authorized under Title 1, Section 101, of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002, to make grant payments to states.
- The funds are provided to improve the administration of elections for federal office, including to enhance election technology and make security improvements.
- States are required to match 20% of amounts awarded.
- South Carolina's total award was \$1,084,886, so the required state match is \$216,977.

FY 24-25 Budget Priorities Summary

Agency Name: State Election Commission

Budget Priorities				Funding					FTEs			
Priority No.	Priority Type (recurring/ non-recurring /other funds adjustment/ federal funds adjustment)	Priority Title	Priority Description	Recurring	Non - Recurring	Other	Federal	Total	State	Other	Federal	Total
1	Recurring	Recruitment and Retention	With unprecedented turnover in the elections industry, the funds would be used to reduce turnover, retain critical talent, and recruitment of new staff.	326,200	0	0	0	326,200	0	0	0	0
2	Recurring	Elections	In FY 2025, elections for all South Carolina General Assembly seats will be held in addition to the presidential election. The funds will be used to cover the vast of statewide election expenses.	11,500,000	0	0	0	11,500,000	0	0	0	0
3	Recurring	Poll Worker Pay Increase	The funds would be used to increase the total amount paid to poll workers for being trained to work and working in an election. Poll workers are currently paid \$135 per election. This request would allow poll workers to be paid \$175 per election.	4,000,000	0	0	0	4,000,000	0	0	0	0
4	Recurring	Board Member Stipend Increase	The funds would allowed for an increase of \$1,000 per year per board member for county board member stipends.	1,046,250	0	0	0	1,046,250	0	0	0	0
5	Recurring	Election Integrity	The funds would be used for necessary dues, enhancements, and technological upgrades to the statewide voter registration.	300,000	0	0	0	300,000	0	0	0	0
6	Non-recurring	State Matching Funds for 2023 HAVA Grant	Funds would be used for the state match required by the federal funds received by the Help America Vote Act grant received in 2023.	0	216,977	0	0	216,977	0	0	0	0

Constitutional Subcommittee Proviso Request Summary FY24-25

Proviso # in FY 23-24 Act	Renumbered FY 24-25 Proviso #	Proviso Title	Short Summary	Agency Recommended Action (keep, change, delete, add)
102.1		ELECT: County Boards of Voter Registration and Elections Compensation	The amounts appropriated in this section for "County Boards of Voter Registration and Elections Board Members," shall be disbursed annually to the County Treasurer at the rate of \$1,500 <u>\$2,500</u> for each member, not to exceed \$13,500 <u>\$22,500</u> per county. The County Treasurer shall use these funds only for the compensation of County Boards of Voter Registration and Elections Board Members. Any funds not used for this purpose shall be returned to the State Treasurer. These funds are exempted from mandated budget reductions. In addition, in the calculation of any across the board agency base reductions mandated by the Executive Budget Office or the General Assembly, the amount of funds appropriated for compensation of County Boards of Voter Registration and Elections Board Members shall be excluded from the agency's base budget. Unexpended funds shall be carried forward from the prior fiscal year and shall be utilized for special primaries, runoffs, and elections.	CHANGE
102.2		ELECT: Elections Managers & Clerks Per Diem	Managers and clerks of state and county elections shall receive a per diem of \$75.00 <u>\$100.00</u> for the day of work and \$60.00 <u>\$75.00</u> for training and paperwork. Managers shall not be paid for more than two days for any election and clerks for not more than three days for any election. The commission may adjust the per diem of \$75.00 <u>\$100.00</u> for the managers and clerks of the statewide election to a higher level only to the extent that the appropriation for the statewide election is sufficient to bear the added cost of increasing the per diem and the cost of the statewide election. Up to three additional managers per county may be appointed to assist county boards of voter registration and elections with the absentee/fail safe voting process prior to, on Election Day, and immediately following statewide elections. Managers assisting the county boards of voter registration and elections in the absentee/fail safe process may receive a per diem of \$75.00 <u>\$100.00</u> per day for not more than a total of fifteen days regardless of whether one, two, or three additional managers are used.	CHANGE
102.3		ELECT: Board of State Canvassers Compensation	\$100.00 <u>\$150.00</u> additional compensation per day may be paid to each member of the Board of State Canvassers up to a total of fifteen days that may be required for hearings held by the members of the Board of State Canvassers.	CHANGE

102.4		ELECT: Sale of Lists Revenue Carry Forward	Any revenue generated from the sale of election lists may be retained and expended by the South Carolina Election Commission to reimburse the Department of Administration, for the printing of such lists and to pay expenses of postage and shipment of these lists to electors who purchase them. After such reimbursement has been made an amount, not to exceed \$400,000, shall be used for nonrecurring expenses in conjunction with extraordinary special election and legal costs and costs for upgrading the Statewide Voter Registration System. Any balance in the Sale of Lists Account on June thirtieth, of the prior fiscal year may be carried forward and expended for the same purposes during the current fiscal year.	Keep
102.5		ELECT: Budget Reduction Exemption	Funds appropriated for recurring and nonrecurring general and primary election expenses are exempted from mandated across the board reductions. In addition, in the calculation of any across the board agency base reductions mandated by the Executive Budget Office or the General Assembly, the amount of funds appropriated for recurring and nonrecurring primary and general election expenses shall be excluded from the agency's base budget.	Keep
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102.7		ELECT: Training & Certification Program	<p>All members and staff of County Boards of Voter Registration and Elections will receive a common curriculum to include core courses on the duties and responsibilities of county boards of voter registration and elections and electives to promote quality service and professional development. The State Election Commission shall make these courses available in various locations, including but not be limited to, the upstate, coastal, and midlands areas of the state. Up to \$35,000 of revenue generated by charging a fee to attend these courses may be retained and expended by the South Carolina Election Commission to help cover the cost of providing the training. Any balance in the training and certification account on June thirtieth, of the prior fiscal year may be carried forward and expended for the same purpose during the current fiscal year. The State Election Commission is required to withhold the stipend of members who do not complete the training and certification program as required in Section 7-5-10 of the 1976 Code. Additionally, funds will also be withheld if a board member completes the training and certification program, but fails to complete at least one training course per year. The board member and members of that county's legislative delegation will be notified of the withholding of the stipend and the requirements needed to bring the member into compliance with the law. If a board member cannot complete the program or complete the required continuing education due to extenuating circumstances, the board member must submit a written request to the county legislative delegation for approval or funds will continue to be withheld as described in this proviso. If a board member does not become compliant with the law within eighteen months of initial notification of stipend withholding, the county's legislative delegation must replace that person on the board.</p>	Keep
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102.11		ELECT: Use of Election Funds	Funds appropriated to the Election Commission for the purpose of conducting elections shall not be used for any other purpose unless specifically authorized in this act. However, up to \$200,000 may be transferred to other operating accounts from General Election accounts upon approval from the Executive Budget Office, which shall then notify the Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Governor of such transfer of funds.	Keep
102.12		ELECT: Match for Additional HAVA Funds	In the event that additional Help America Vote Act federal funds become available, the commission shall be authorized to utilize funds appropriated for primary and general elections and for voting system refurbishment to provide a match for the federal funds.	Keep

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- 103.2 (RFAO: Election File Merge) In order to assist the County Registration and Election Commissions to ensure that registered voters are assigned to proper election districts, the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office, in conjunction with the South Carolina Election Commission, shall merge the voter registration file with the office's Geocoded Address List and the district boundaries of the Congress, South Carolina Senate, South Carolina House of Representatives, county councils, and such other districts as the office possesses official district boundary records in electronic format. The merged systems will allow the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office to provide the respective county officials with a list of potential voters who are possibly assigned to the wrong election district. File merger is required only for those districts in which elections are scheduled. Counties and municipalities shall release GIS to the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office upon the office's written request. Written request must be sent to the chief administrative officer of the county or municipality and advise the county or municipality that failure to comply within thirty days of request may result in the withholding of ten percent of the county's or municipality's state aid. The Executive Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office may grant additional time for good cause and must waive release if the county or municipality does not possess GIS data. For counties and municipalities that possess GIS data but do not release it, the Executive Director of the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office shall notify the State Treasurer of the failure to comply with this provision after the required notice. Notification shall result in the withholding of ten percent of subsequent payments of state aid to the entity until the GIS data

is provided. Municipal and county data acquired by the Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office in the course of performing its responsibilities may be used for other functions of the office as well as shared with other state agencies. For this provision GIS data includes, but is not limited to, road centerlines; orthophotography; parcel boundaries; address points; political boundaries; and administrative boundaries. **(KEEP)**

- 117.191 (GP: Actions on Election Law)
 - (A) The President of the Senate, on behalf of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the House of Representatives, have an unconditional right to intervene on behalf of their respective bodies in a state court action that challenges the validity of an election law, an election policy, or the manner in which an election is conducted.
 - (B) In a federal court action that challenges the validity of an election law, an election policy, or the manner in which an election is conducted, the President of the Senate, on behalf of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the House of Representatives, have standing to intervene as a party on behalf of their respective bodies, to file an amicus brief, or to provide evidence or argument, written or oral, in accordance with the federal rules of procedure, irrespective of whether any other officer of the State has appeared in the action.
 - (C) A federal court presiding over an action that challenges the validity of an election law, an election policy, or the manner in which an election is conducted is requested to allow the President, on behalf of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the House of Representatives, to intervene in any such action as a party.
 - (D) The State Election Commission and the Attorney General must notify the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives within twenty-four hours of the receipt of service of a complaint that challenges the validity of an election law, an election policy, or the manner in which an election is conducted.
 - (E) In any action in which the Senate or the House of Representatives intervenes or participates pursuant to this proviso, the Senate and the House of Representatives must function independently from each other in the representation of their respective bodies, unless otherwise agreed to by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
 - (F) The Senate and House of Representatives may expend funds appropriated in this act to exercise the unconditional right set forth in subsection (A) and to sustain any other action set forth in this proviso. No county election commission may accept or expend any funds other than public funds to prepare for or to conduct elections. **(KEEP)**

**S.C. State Election Commission
Carry Forward FY2023-24**

General Fund Recurring		
Operating	438,073	
Aid to County	92,898	
Election Funds	334,784	
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	865,755	
Total General Funds Carry Forward		865,755
Other Funds		
Sale of Lists	212,268	
Statewide Primary Filing Fees	92,812	
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	305,081	
Total Other Funds		305,081
Federal Funds		
Help America Vote Act	2,197,892	
Total Federal Funds Carry Forward		<hr/>2,197,892
Grand Total All Funds Available at end of FY2021-22		<hr/><hr/>3,368,728

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S.C. State Election Commission
FTE's-Authorized Positions
As of December 2022

Administration

Position Title	GF Filled	GF Vacant	Other Filled	Other Vacant	Total
Agency Head	1				1
Program Manager I	1				1
Attorney IV	1				1
Senior Paralegal	1				1
Administrative Manager II	1				1
Administrative Manager I	1				1
Senior Acct/Fiscal Analyst	1	1			2
Administrative Coordinator II	1	1			2
Administrative Assistant	2				2
Postal Center Director I	1				1
Postal Specialist		0.5			0.5
Total Administration	11	2.5	0	0	13.5

Public Information

Position Title	GF Filled	GF Vacant	Other Filled	Other Vacant	Total
Program Manager II	1				1
Public Information Director I	1				1
Program Coord. II	3	1			4
Total Public information/Training	5	1	0	0	6

Training

Position Title	GF Filled	GF Vacant	Other Filled	Other Vacant	Total
Program Manager II	1				1
Administrative Coordinator II	1				1
Program Coordinator I		1			1
Program Coordinator II	4				4
Training Coordinator II	2				2
Training Coordinator I	2	10			12
Total Public information/Training	10	11	0	0	21

Voter Services

Position Title	GF Filled	GF Vacant	Other Filled	Other Vacant	Total
Program Manager II	1				1
IT Manager I	2				2
Endpoint Tech II	1				1
Endpoint Tech I	2				2
IT Security Specialist I	1				1
IT Customer Support Specialist III	7				7
IT Customer Support Specialist II	3				3
GIS MANAGER II		1			1
Total Voter Services	17	0	0	0	18

Audit

Position Title	GF Filled	GF Vacant	Other Filled	Other Vacant	Total
Program Manager II	1				1
Audit Manager I	2				2
Professional Auditor	4	4			8
Total Audit	7	4	0	0	11

Grand Total Authorized Positions	50	18.5	0	0	69.5
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