

### North Carolina Department of Public Safety

#### **Private Protective Services Board**

Roy Cooper, Governor Erik Hooks, Secretary Vincent "Bud" Cesena, Chair Paul Sherwin, Director

#### MINUTES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA PRIVATE PROTECTIVE SERVICES BOARD MEETING JUNE 17, 2021, 9 a.m. Hampton Inn and Suites Raleigh/Crabtree Valley 3920 Arrow Dr, Raleigh, NC 27612

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

#### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT** Debra Duncan

Ron Burris Nada Lawrimore David Stephens Gerry Stickl Samuel Russell Steve Johnson Tamara Rabenold Kim Heffney Bud Cesena Jerry Pitman Gregory Scott Stacy Buff Assata Buffaloe

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

Paul Sherwin – Director Amanda Rolle- Deputy Director Jeff Gray – Attorney Kim Odom – Field Services Supervisor George Daniels - Investigator Garcia Graham – PPS Board Secretary Syconda Marrow- PPS Board Secretary

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#### **GUESTS PRESENT**

Julius McKinney Jerry Winstead David Bailey Don Miller William MacRae Keith Hollen Kathy Broom Michael Easterday Ruth Cruz Nichols Ruth Reynolds Pam Mayfield Don Miller

#### CALL TO ORDER

The June 17, 2021 meeting of the North Carolina Private Protective Services Board was called to order by Chairman Cesena at 9:06 a.m. Mr. Cesena led the group in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance followed by roll call.

#### STATE ETHICS LAW

Attorney Jeff Gray explained the State Ethics Act, which addresses the ethics of public officials. This Act states specifically that if any Board member has any conflict of interest, potential conflict of interest, or the appearance of a conflict, he or she should remove themselves from deliberation and vote on that matter and so state on the record.

Chairman Cesena welcomed all guests and recognized a new Board member, Assata Buffaloe.

#### FINAL AGENCY DECISION

Julius Mckinney – 21 DOJ 00672. Mr. Mckinney was present in person. This case was heard by Administrative Law Judge Tenisha S. Jacobs on April 8, 2021. This case involved summary suspension of Petitioner's security guard and patrol license, courier license, armed guard registration, unarmed guard trainer certification, firearms instructor certification, long-gun instructor certification and a decision by the Board that "the screening committee take no action on any application submitted for a replacement of qualifying agent during the suspension of Mr. Mckinney." Petitioner has been charged with two (2) counts of felony Assault with a Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury which has not been heard in criminal court.

### MOTION BY MR. BUFF TO ACCEPT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S DECISION TO UPHOLD THE SUSPENSION OF ALL MR. MCKINNEY'S LICENSE,

#### CERTIFICATIONS AND REGISTRATIONS AND ALLOW A NEW QUALIFYING AGENT TO PROCEED AS A REPLACEMENT FOR HIS SECURITY GUARD AND PATROL BUSINESS; SECONDED BY MR. BURRIS; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

Jennifer Plymouth – 20 DOJ 04335. Ms. Plymouth was unable to attend the meeting and agreed it could be heard in her absence. This case was heard by Administrative Law Judge Michael C. Byrne on February 1, 2021. This case involved Respondent's denial of Ms. Plymouth's Polygraph Examiner License based on Ms. Plymouth's failure to pass the required examination within one year should be upheld.

#### MOTION BY MR. JOHNSON TO ACCEPT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION TO UPHOLD THE DENIAL OF MS. PLYMOUTH'S POLYGRAPH EXAMINER'S LICENSE; SECONDED BY MR. BUFF; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### MINUTES

#### APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES.

#### MOTION BY MR. JOHNSON TO ACCEPT THE APRIL 22, 2021 MINUTES; SECONDED BY MR. HEFFNEY; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### **GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Burris reported that the Grievance Committee met on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 from 9:04 a.m. to 11:23 p.m. and heard a total of 9 cases. This was a closed meeting. The Committee members included Mr. Burris, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Rabenold, Ms. Lawrimore, Mr. Pitman and Mr. Stickl. Mr. Burris read the report for the record.

Tamara Rabenold recused herself from voting on Allan Stark's case #2021-PPS-147.

Director Sherwin noted that Trini Hollins (formerly of Elite Protective Services) is continuing to engage in unlicensed security guard and patrol services in the state of North Carolina. Mr. Hollins entered into a Consent Order in Superior Court agreeing not to engage in any activity that requires a security guard and patrol license in the state of North Carolina. In an investigation conducted by PPS Investigator, Nicky Ezell, it was discovered Mr. Hollins is not adhering to the signed Consent Order.

Mr. Jeff Gray is to file a Motion for Show Cause for contempt of the Consent Order in Superior Court.

#### MOTION BY MR. JOHNSON TO INSTRUCT MR. GRAY TO FILE A MOTION FOR SHOW CAUSE IN SUPERIOR COURT FOR TRINI HOLLINS CONTEMPT OF

CONSENT; SECONDED BY MR. RUSSELL; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### MOTION BY MR. BUFF TO ACCEPT THE GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE REPORT; SECONDED BY MR. STEPHENS; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### **TRAINING & EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Cesena reported that the T & E Committee met on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 from 3:00 p.m. to 3:58 p.m.

Mr. Bullard reported on the following:

#### The following PPS Trainer courses are scheduled:

#### Unarmed Guard Trainer Course and Workshop at Wake Tech. Community College

July 12-16, 2021 September 20-24, 2021 November 15-19, 2021

#### **Firearms Trainer Recertification/Prequalification**

#### **Camp Butner**

October 14, 2021 (Handgun and Long Gun)

#### Salemburg

June 23, 2021 July 12, 2021 September 1, 2021 November 22, 2021 (Handgun and Long Gun)

#### Firearms Instructor Course at N.C. Justice Academy, Salemburg

September 14-17, 2021

#### Long Gun Instructor Course at Camp Butner

October 12-14, 2021

#### **Completed Training**

May 12, 2021 (Handgun and Long Gun)

#### **Trainers Audited**

On March 31, 2021 I audited the training records of Mike Matthews. I found everything to be is order. The training documents that he possessed aligned with the Pre/Post Delivery reports. On May 5, 2021 I audited Greg Young. Young was conducting the firing range for one new guard. I observed his operations of the range and found everything to be conducted properly. On May 21, 2021 I audited Frank Guibileo. Guibileo was conducting the firing range for the renewal of two guards. I observed the entire range operations and found that everything was conducted properly.

#### **Committee Recommendations**

Extend use of the 30-round course of fire Establish a deadline of October 15, 2021 for firearms qualification and continuing education rules 14B NCAC 16 (.0201, .0806, .0904, .1202) as it pertains to the current State of Emergency Cease printing instructor identification cards Move forward with completing Firearms Training Guide for trainers Approve the community college grant announcement for continuing education courses

#### Weapon Discharges:

On Friday, June 4, 2021 Daniel Newell, the Point of Contact for Top Shelf Entertainment contacted Field Services Supervisor Kim Odom and reported a weapon discharge. On Wednesday, June 9, 2021 Newell forwarded an email to Odom describing the events that occurred. Newell advised that armed security guard Marquit Gary was working an armed post on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at Club Onyx located at 5300 Old Pineville Road, Charlotte, North Carolina. An unidentified female was ejected from the club. The female got into her vehicle and drove onto the sidewalk of the club toward a group of people including Gary. Gary fired his service weapon an undetermined number of times striking the vehicle but not the female. The vehicle traveled down the sidewalk in front of the business, struck a parked vehicle and exited the property. Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department (CMPD) was called to investigate. The female also called CMPD from her residence to report the incident. At the time of this report the female has been charged with Assault with a Deadly Weapon after investigators viewed the video tapes from the business's security cameras. Gary has not been charged.

Investigator Bullard queried PPSM (Permitium) and discovered that an armed application had been submitted for Gary on April 29, 2021 and is pending. That application included a Firearms Training Certificate that indicated that Gary was qualified to carry a Glock, Model 19x, 9mm handgun serial number BSLB383. CMPD seized Gary's weapon and at the time of this report Investigator Bullard is not able to confirm what weapon Gary was carrying. A copy of the email is included in this case file.

#### **End of Report**

Mr. Cesena reported that the T & E Committee reviewed the following applications for continuing education credits:

Dealing with Difficult People-De-escalation Communication Skills-4 hours Unlocking the Truth - Detection of Deception and Strategic Interviewing-6 hours **Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs-12 hours** Basic Anti-Terrorism Awareness-4 hours Arson Investigation-6 hours **Undercover Operations-6 hours** How Pedophiles Prey on Children-4 hours Preventing Attacks on Soft Targets for Security Professionals-8 hours **Understanding Domestic Violence-4 hours** Death Investigations for Private Investigators-8 hours Domestic Violence Investigations for Private Investigator-6 hours Terrorist Methods of Operation-6 hours Suicide Intervention for Private Investigators-6 hours Hostage Negotiations for Private Investigators-6 hours Workplace Violence Investigation for Private Investigators-6 hours Untying the Knot: A Guide to Investigating Troubled Relationships-6 hours Understanding Homeland Security and Terrorism-2 hours

#### MOTION BY MR. BUFF TO ACCEPT ALL THE COURSES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL; SECONDED BY MR. RUSSELL; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

Mr. Stephens recused himself from voting on courses submitted by Mr. Kenneth Miller.

# MOTION BY MR. BURRIS TO ACCEPT THE REPORT BY THE TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE; SECONDED BY MR. JOHNSON; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### LAW AND RULES COMMITTEE

Mr. Johnson reported that the Committee met on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 from 4:10 p.m. to 4:34 p.m. to discuss updates to pending legislation (See Section IV of Attorney's Report) and changes to several of the Board's administrative rules:

14B NCAC 16 .0103(14) add requirement that the qualifying agent be a North Carolina resident if the company has a physical office in N.C.
14B NCAC 16 .0110(a) & (b) add the text "employee, subcontractor, or any other …"
14B NCAC 16 .0903(a)(1) increase the fee from \$40.00 to \$50.00
14B NCAC 16 .0903(a)(2) increase the fee from \$25.00 to \$50.00
Move the continuing education credit limits found in 14B NCAC 16 .1203(g) & (h) to a new section subsection of .1203
Amend 14B NCAC 16 .0501(a)(1) to clarify that the Board or "an entity designated by the Board" may appoint the panel.

Amend 14B NCAC 16 .0501(c) to clarify that all portions of the examination must be successfully passed within one calendar year.

The Committee also reported it is continuing to work on changes to rules 14B NCAC 16.0103, .0707, .0807 which will be brought back to the Board for consideration at a later date. Additionally, the Committee recommended the Board's attorney draft a new rule that details the Board's complaint process.

#### MOTION BY MS. LAWRIMORE TO ACCEPT THE LAW AND RULES COMMITTEE'S REPORT; SECONDED BY MR. SCOTT; MOTION CARRIED.

#### SCREENING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Buff stated that the Screening Committee met on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 from 12:37 p.m. to 2:46 p.m. to review a total of 47 applications. This was a closed meeting. The Committee members included Mr. Buff, Mr. Scott, Mr. Stephens, Mr. Russell, Mr. Heffney, and Ms. Duncan. Mr. Buff read the report for the record.

Director Sherwin stated that currently all registration denial decisions are made by the Director, and if objected to by the applicant, go to the OAH for a hearing. He has asked that appeals go to Screening first. After review by the Screening Committee, the decision will be voted on at the full Board meeting and if objected to the applicant can then request a hearing at the OAH.

## MOTION BY MR. BUFF TO ACCEPT THE SCREENING REPORT; SECONDED BY MR. STICKL; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

Mr. Russell recused himself from voting on #31 Courtney Schrum. Mr. Cesena recused himself from voting on #42 John Viscomi.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Board discussed criteria for awarding continuing education credit for online courses. It defined a "live" course as one that is delivered in person or online in real-time where an instructor is available to answer questions or facilitate discussion. A licensee may obtain 12 hours of required continuing education from live courses during the 2-year license period. The Board also clarified that asynchronous online courses, such as those that are recorded and self-paced without a live instructor, are restricted to a maximum of six hours of continuing education per 2-year license period.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Director Sherwin read the report for the record. He reported the Board's revenue as of July 1,

2020 thru May 31, 2021 was \$1,323,402.20 with expenditures in the amount of \$(1,190,015.81), reflecting a decrease to the fund balance of \$133,386.39. The total fund balance was \$1,440,461.41. He reported the Education Fund balance was \$125,374.01. Director Sherwin reported that since the last Board meeting, the total active registrations for PPS is 18,596, license holders 2,825 and certification holders 468.

Director Sherwin reported Private Protective Services staff continues to work from home due to COVID-19 social distancing restrictions. However, the office is open to the public Monday through Friday from approximately 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; though the number of staff members present in the office each day will be kept to a minimum.

Private Protective Services currently has four vacant positions: Hickory-based Investigator – Recruitment in progress Administrative Assistant – Recruitment in progress Registration Application Processor (two positions)

Director Sherwin announced that Registration processor Malquis Oakley resigned her position with Private Protective Services on June 11, 2021. Malquis worked for the State of North Carolina for more than 15 years and had spent most of that time with Private Protective Services. We wish Malquis luck with her new endeavors and thank her for her service to the security industry.

Director Sherwin announced that the Private Protective Services Board is currently accepting grant applications for funds to be used for training. The grant application period opened March 1, 2021 and closes June 30, 2021. More information about the grant process can be found on the Board's website.

#### MOTION BY MR. CESENA TO EXTEND GRANT APPLICATION FOR TRAINING WITH EXTENSION TO BE LEFT OPEN ALL YEAR; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### **Registration Unit**

Registration applications received year-to-date: 9,900 (Same period in 2020: 9,842)

#### Licensing Unit

Licensing applications received year-to-date: 362 (Same period in 2020: 535)

#### **Investigations Unit**

License applicant background investigations completed year-to-date: 139 (Same period in 2020: 152)

Complaint investigations completed year-to-date: 29 (Same period in 2020: 13)

**Training Unit** 

Trainer applications received year-to-date: 153 (Same period in 2020: 95)

## MOTION BY MR. BUFF TO ACCEPT THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT; SECONDED BY MR. STEPHENS; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Gray discussed the following:

#### I. CONSENT AGREEMENT, SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS & CIVIL PENALTIES

- 1. On February 18, 2021 Brian Dixon and Billy Hicks/ Security Innovations Protective Services LLC, entered a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$3060.00 for registration violations. Staff is to conduct a follow-up audit for 2020. The signed Consent Agreement has not been returned. Also, the licenses be suspended until consent is paid in full. Payment has not been received.
- 2. On April 22, 2021 Brian Geddes/ Gold Shield of N.C. LLC (Screening) entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$850.00 for unlicensed activity. The Consent Agreement was signed by QA Brian Geddes on April 20, 2021. Paid in full.
- 3. On April 22, 2021 Brian Scully/Garda CL East, Inc., entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$2,019.60 for registration violations. The temporary agreement was signed by QA Brian Scully on April 20, 2021. Payment has not been received.
- 4. On April 22, 2021 Hector Falu/Falu Security, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$1,285.20 for registration violations. The temporary agreement was signed by QA Hector Falu on February 11, 2021. The signed Consent Agreement has not been returned. Payment has not been received.
- 5. On April 22, 2021 John Brown/Southern Protection Agency, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$979.20 for registration violations. The temporary agreement was signed by QA John Brown on April 5, 2021. The signed Consent Agreement has not been returned. Payment has not been received.
- 6. On April 22, 2021 Joseph Roy/ Securitas Security Services USA, Inc. entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$72, 338.40 for registration violations. The temporary agreement was signed by QA Joseph Roy on March 30, 2021. Signed Consent Agreement received April 22,02021. Paid in full.
- 7. On April 22, 2021 Mack Donaldson / G4S, entered into a Consent Agreement with the Board in the amount of \$18,666.00 for registration violations. The signed Consent Agreement has not been returned. Paid in full.

#### II. ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

a. Numerous amendments to the Board's administrative rules had been suggested and/or approved over the previous 12 months but an informal "moratorium" on further rules changes imposed by staff to the Rules Review Commission prevented noticing any of these amendments. However, with the finalization of the Periodic Review of Rules process in August 2020 we were ready to resume.

Mr. Gray had collected all of the requested changes in a file and prepared a draft set of proposed amendments. These amendments, and one adoption, were considered first by the Law & Rules Committee at its October 2020 meeting, then approved by the full Board.

The Notice of Text for 19 rule amendments and one adoption was filed on December 7, 2020. The Public Hearing was held Tuesday, January 9, 2021 via WebEx, with numerous participants providing comment, and the Public Comment Period ended March 5, 2021. The public comments received were considered by the Law and Rules Committee at its April 12, 2021 meeting and a recommendation has been made to the Board. A copy of the rules as proposed was attached to Mr. Gray's April 22, 2021 Attorney's Report and the Board voted to approve all proposed rules except the amendment to 14B NCAC 16.0105.

The Submission for Permanent Rule form for each was submitted on May 13, 2021, and I have received and replied to Request for Technical Changes. The rule amendments are being considered by the Rules Review Commission today (i.e. June 17<sup>th</sup>.)

b. At its April 2020 meeting the Board adopted amendments to five administrative rules to help lessen the burden on applicants, licensees and trainer certification holders during the lock-downs and travel bans enacted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The amendment to 14B NCAC 16 .0201(e), .0806 (e), .0904(e), .1202(d), and .1203 first became emergency rules, and are now temporary rules. (Note: In .1203 the Board did not add language but merely removed the last line of (g) which limited online courses to six hours and moved (h) to make it "(e)" in .1202.) Unless the Board took action for each change to become a permanent rule to be in effect for any future declared national or state of emergency, these rule amendments expired on April 30, 2021. A copy of each rule, as amended, was attached to Mr. Gray's April 22, 2021 Attorney's Report. The Board voted to make these rules permanent.

The Notice of Text has been filed and Public Hearing set for Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at the Board office. The Public Comment Period ends August 2, 2021.

#### III. LITIGATION

At its February 18, 2021 meeting the Board instructed me to file a Motion to Show Cause as to William John Hagler, an unlicensed private investigator who entered into a Consent Order in Wake County Superior Court in 2014 that he would not engage in any activity defined by Chapter 74C of the General Statutes as a "private protective service" in the State of North Carolina. Mr. Hagler has been caught performing private investigator services in December 2020.

After confirming with the attorney who had filed an Affidavit of Service in a domestic case stating Mr. Hagler was a "private investigator" that Mr. Hagler was not the attorney's agent or

employee, I filed the Motion on March 30, 2021. Mr. Hagler has been served at an address In Florida and acknowledged receipt of the Motion by letter.

Mr. Gray will be noticing a hearing on the Motion within the next few weeks.

#### IV. LEGISLATION

a. House Bill 29, "Verification of Immigration Status – SAVE." This bill would require that all State agencies, State agency licensing boards, and occupational licensing boards verify the immigration status of applicants for public benefits and use the federal Systemic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) system to obtain that verification.

The bill was referred to the House Judiciary 3 Committee on February 1, 2021 and saw no action. It failed to meet the cross-over deadline.

b. House Bill 68, "GSC Licensing Boards and Commissions/Rule Crime." Over the past 18 months Mr. Gray have been reporting to the Board a study by the General Statutes Commission (the "GSC" in the title) to eliminate criminal penalties from city and county ordinances and from administrative rules. This bill addresses occupational licensing boards and repeals the Board's provision in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 74C-17 which makes it a Class 1 misdemeanor to violate an administrative rule. It would remain a misdemeanor to violate the Board's statutes.

This bill passed the House on March 23, 2021 and has been referred to the Senate Committee on Rules. A copy was attached to Mr. Gray's April 22<sup>nd</sup> Attorney's Report.

c. House Bill 157, "Property Finder Definition and Governance." A "property finder" is a person or business who, for a fee, seeks to locate, deliver, recover, or assist in the recovery of property that is distributable to the owner or presumed abandoned. Property finders in North Carolina must be licensed by the Office of State Treasurer. In most instances the actions of a property finder also meet the definition of "private investigator" in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 74C-3(a)(8).

This bill would require all property finders licensed by the State Treasurer to also be licensed as a private investigator, without exception.

This bill passed the House on March 30, 2021 and has been referred to the Senate Committee on Rules. A copy was attached to Mr. Gray's April 22nd Attorney's Report.

d. House Bill 349, "Traffic-Control Training Program." With limited exceptions, such as firemen and rescue squad members, any private citizen who directs traffic on a public highway in North Carolina must be authorized by the sheriff or chief of police. Many registered security guards have and maintain this authority. The current minimum age is 18, the training course is three hours, and the authorization card expires after two years.

This bill makes several changes to the law governing traffic control officers. It raises the age to 21, increase the training course to eight hours (four classrooms; four roadside) to be taught by the Community College System, and extends the expiration of the authorization card to three years. It will also require proof of liability insurance.

This bill passed the House on May 6, 2021 and has been referred to the Senate Committee on Rules. (No copy attached.)

e. Senate Bill 424, "Private Protective Services Licensing Modifications." This bill is the Board's bill. (Note: Although the Board voted to agree with the Legislative Liaison for DPS's suggestion that it be introduced as two bills, the bill sponsor combined the Close Personal Protection portions and the remaining substantive changes into one bill.

This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Rules on April 1, 2021 and has seen no action since. A copy was attached to the Attorney's Report as Attachment 2.

Senate Bill 545, "Universal Licensure Recognition Act." This bill would enact new f. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93B-15.2 to require an occupational licensing board or a State agency to issue a license, certification, or registration to any applicant who establishes residence in the State, and satisfies all nine conditions, including: 1) the applicant is currently licensed, certified, or registered in at least one other jurisdiction in the discipline applied for in the state at the same or substantially equivalent practice level; 2) the applicant has been licensed, certified, or registered by another jurisdiction for at least one year; 3) the applicant is in good standing in all jurisdictions in which the applicant holds a license, certification, or registration; and 4) the applicant does not have any active or pending disciplinary actions from an occupational licensing board or agency in another jurisdiction, and if applicable, the occupational licensing board or State agency has completed verification. The bill sets out actions the occupational licensing boards must take when an applicant has any prior disciplinary actions from an occupational licensing board or State agency licensing board at the time of application. Requires online publication of criteria or requirements for licensing, certification, or registration of the required documentation. It further specifies that the statute does not prevent any occupational licensing board or State agency licensing board in the State from entering into a reciprocity agreement with another jurisdiction or invalidate any existing reciprocity agreement. It provides that a license, certification, or registration granted by an occupational licensing board or State agency licensing board under this statute is valid only in this State and does not extend validity to other jurisdictions. It also provides that any individual licensed, certified, or registered under this statute is entitled to the same rights and subject to the same obligations as individuals licensed, certified, or registered by an occupational licensing board or State agency licensing board in this State under any other provision of law. Further, it makes clear that nothing in the statute prohibits an individual from proceeding under the existing licensure, certification, or registration requirements established by an occupational licensing board or State agency licensing board in this state.

This bill requires occupational licensing board and State agency licensing boards to reports annually to the certain entities, beginning October 31, 2022, on the number of individuals who: applied for licensure, certification, or registration and received licensure, certification, or registration in accordance with this act or were denied licensure, certification, or registration in accordance with this act. It would apply to applications for licensure, certification, or registration received after October 1, 2021.

This bill was referred to Senate Committee on Rules and no action. It failed to meet the cross-over deadline.

#### MOTION BY MR. RUSSELL TO ACCEPT THE ATTORNEY'S REPORT; SECONDED BY MR. BURRIS; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

Mr. Pitman discussed the South Carolina Association of Legal Investigators (SCALI) he attended May 5, 2021 through May 7, 2021. He stated 150 people attended the conference, to include nine licensees from N.C. Some of the topics discussed were executive protection and reciprocal agreements. When the state of NC was going to open up and confirmation to obtain 8 hours of continuing education in a virtual setting.

### MOTION BY MR. BURRIS TO ADJOURN; SECONDED BY MR. JOHNSON; MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.

10:42 A.M. Adjourned

Paul Sherwin, Director

Syconda Marrow, Board Secretary