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SUBJECT: CALEA Standard 26.2.5
Statistical Summary of the Office of Professional Responsibility Investigations

The purpose of this memorandum is to document the compliance of the South Carolina Department of Public Safety's (SCDPS) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) in regards to Chapter 52, Internal Affairs, and Section 26.2.5 of the CALEA Standards for Law Enforcement Agencies Manual.

Attached to this memorandum is a summary of the types, status, and volume of complaints investigated by the OPR from January 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021. As mandated by the aforementioned CALEA Standard, the summary must be posted in a conspicuous location. The standard also requires that this information be available to the public and agency employees.

NOTE: Some of the totals for the categories listed may exceed the actual number of specific cases. This is due to the fact that multiple allegations may be attached to a single case.

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Final Action _____

2021 Accreditation Statistical Summary

STATUS PER NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AND/OR CHARGES							
TYPES OF COMPLAINTS	Sustained	Not Sustained	Unfounded	Exonerated	Admin. Closed	Pending	TOTAL
Abuse of Leave	1						1
Arrested for Crime	3						3
Bias Based		2	4				6
COVID-19/PPE	6	2					8
Dissemination of Sensitive/Confidential Information		1					1
Drug/Alcohol Use on Duty	2						2
Evidence Procedures	1	2					3
Excessive Force			2				2
Failure to Activate Emergency Equipment	1						1
Failure to Follow Directive	1						1
Failure to Follow Proper Procedures	12	1	1				14
Failure to Issue Public Contact/Ticket	2						2
Failure to Properly Conduct Line Inspection	1						1
Failure to Prosecute/Improperly Dismissing Charge	1						1
Failure to Report Damage (Vehicle/DPS Property)	3						3
Failure to Secure Weapon/Lost Weapon	1						1
Failure to Supervise	5			1	1		7
Firearms Discharge (Accidental)	1						1
Harassment/ Making Threats			1				1
Harassment-free Workplace		6	1				7
Improper Accident Investigation	2	2	1		1	1	7
Improper Charge/ Ticket Issued	2						2
Improper Conduct	6	4	2			1	13
Improper Detention				1			1

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Improper Handling of Evidence	1						1
Improper Procedures	27	3	1	2		4	37
Improper Search				1			1
Insubordination	1						1
Lost/Damaged SCDPS Property	1					1	2
Lost Badge/Credentials	1						1
Misuse of Computing Resources		1	1				2
Misuse of State Vehicle	2						2
Misuse of Work Time		1					1
Negligence in Performance of Supervisory Duties	2						2
Negligent Authorized Operation of a State Vehicle Resulting in an Accident/Personal Injury						1	1
Negligent Operation of a State Vehicle	1					1	2
Officer Involved Shooting						1	1
Operation of a State Vehicle in an Unsafe Manner	4					3	7
Possession of a Weapon While Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs		1					1
Retaliation	1						1
Rude and Discourteous	3	4	6		2	3	18
Social Media Policy	2						2
Speeding	8	2		1		1	12
Theft of Property		2					2
Traffic Enforcement Policy	1						1
Unauthorized Destruction/Deleting of Agency Electronic Records	1						1
Untruthfulness	4	3	1		1		9
Vehicle and Foot Pursuit Policy	22				2	1	25
Video Recording Policy	13	1				1	15
Violation of DPS Policy or Procedures	1						1
TOTAL PER STATUS	147	38	21	6	7	19	238