

Subsequent Injury Fund

MISSION

The Subsequent Injury Fund works to provide workers' compensation benefits to disabled workers who have combined effects from a pre-existing disability and an accidental work-related injury.

VISION

A State which has removed the disincentive to hire disabled workers due to employers' concerns of potentially larger workers' compensation claims.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. To efficiently defend the Fund's resources against inappropriate use, and to provide monetary benefits to qualified disabled workers injured on the job in accordance with awards passed by the Workers' Compensation Commission.

Obj. 1.1 All new cases will be promptly reviewed and prepared for legal defense.

Obj. 1.2 All ordered claimant payments will begin on time, and periodic payments will follow a standard bi-weekly schedule.

Goal 2. To maintain the adequacy and integrity of the Fund balance.

Obj. 2.1 To ensure that adequate funds are available from which to pay claims, the ratio of total Fund expenditures to total collections will remain less than 1:1.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Number of benefit payments made	20,924	20,168	19,229	17,657	16,475	16,750	16,750
Number of new cases opened	505	462	449	458	379	379	379
Number of cases reopened	74	138	109	98	54	54	54
Number of cases resolved	672	648	679	607	560	560	560
Number of net resolved cases	(93)	(48)	(121)	(51)	(127)	(127)	(127)
Dollar amount of assessments collected (\$)	27,400,101	22,758,080	27,652,878	24,339,764	24,436,087	24,500,000	24,500,000
Interest on fund balance (\$)	1,468,889	329,466	496,570	3,663,817	5,570,846	4,500,000	4,000,000
Total collections (\$)	28,868,990	23,087,547	28,149,448	28,003,580	30,006,934	29,000,000	28,500,000
Benefits paid (\$)	20,224,367	19,151,208	19,555,752	18,012,339	17,917,755	18,200,000	18,200,000
Agency operating expenditures (\$)	2,382,881	2,445,028	2,599,220	2,669,078	3,039,740	3,452,465	3,417,105
Total expenditures (\$)	22,607,248	21,596,236	22,154,972	20,681,416	20,957,495	21,652,465	21,617,105
Ratio of total Fund expenditures to total collections for the year	0.783:1	0.935:1	0.787:1	0.739:1	0.698:1	0.747:1	0.758:1