

**LOUISIANA WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECOND INJURY BOARD
MINUTES**

*Louisiana Workforce Commission
Executive Conference Room, First Floor, Annex Building
1001 North 23rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804
Thursday June 05, 2025 | 2:00 p.m. CT*

I. Call to Order

Mr. Chris Kirby, Vice-Chairman, called to order the regular meeting of the Louisiana Workers' Compensation Second Injury Board on June 05, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

Present

Mr. Chris Kirby, Vice-Chairman, representing the Secretary of the Department of Children and Family Services

Ms. Kayla Kirby, representing the State Treasurer

Mr. Chip Coulter, representing the Secretary of State

Absent

Mr. Charles Hansberry, Chair, representing the Commissioner of Insurance

Mr. Brian Blackwood, Assistant Secretary of the Office of Worker's Compensation Administration

Quorum was met.

Also, participating in the meeting were: Ms. Shana Shirley, SIB Director; Mr. Karl Scott, Assistant Attorney General; Ms. Ta-Tanisha Youngblood, Attorney; Ms. Devionne Butler, Attorney; Ms. Tamara Hardnett, SIB Program Compliance Supervisor; Ms. Chandra Cola, SIB Audit & Finance Supervisor; and Ms. Precious Ricks, SIB Recording Secretary.

Valerie Mayhall, member of the public, was in attendance.

II. Reading of minutes of previous meeting

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously voted to dispense with the reading of the May 1, 2025 meeting minutes.

III. Hearing Requests

None.

IV. Items 1 through 17 Recommended for Payment; Claim #24-0331 to Claim #25-0217

Staff recommended payment of the following 17 claims:

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| 1. | 24-0331 | Travelers Property Casualty Company of America |
| 2. | 24-0337 | Ochsner Hospital (Ochsner Clinic Foundation) |
| 3. | 24-0378 | St. Tammany Parish School Board |
| 4. | 24-0404 | Ochsner Hospital (Ochsner Clinic Foundation) |
| 5. | 24-0414 | Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America |
| 6. | 24-0415 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp. |
| 7. | 24-0487 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp. |
| 8. | 24-0503 | City of Alexandria |
| 9. | 24-0553 | City of New Orleans |
| 10. | 24-0660 | Wal-Mart Associates, Inc. |
| 11. | 24-0725 | LUBA Casualty Insurance Company |
| 12. | 24-0733 | Lafayette Parish School Board |
| 13. | 24-0847 | AIU Insurance Company (AIG) |
| 14. | 24-0913 | Brookshire Grocery Company |
| 15. | 25-0106 | Gray Insurance Company |
| 16. | 25-0187 | Ochsner Hospital (Ochsner Clinic Foundation) |
| 17. | 25-0217 | City of New Orleans |

On motion of Mr. Coulter, seconded by Ms. Kirby, the Board unanimously approved payment of the afore-listed claims.

V. Items 1 through 47 Recommended for Denial; Claim #19-0762 to Claim #25-0269

Staff recommended denial of the following 47 claims:

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| 1. | 19-0762 | LA Construction & Industry SIF |
| 2. | 24-0241 | LUBA Casualty Insurance Company |
| 3. | 24-0313 | LA Workers' Compensation Corp. |
| 4. | 24-0335 | Laitram Corporation, Etal |
| 5. | 24-0428 | Office of Risk Management |
| 6. | 24-0431 | Jefferson Parish |
| 7. | 24-0454 | Amerisure Insurance Company |
| 8. | 24-0455 | City of Shreveport |
| 9. | 24-0466 | Indemnity Ins. Co. of North America |
| 10. | 24-0472 | Louisiana Restaurant Association |
| 11. | 24-0475 | - Unverified |
| 12. | 24-0493 | - Unverified |
| 13. | 24-0499 | Employers Insurance Group |
| 14. | 24-0508 | LA Construction & Industry SIF |
| 15. | 24-0514 | Jefferson Parish Public School System |

16.	24-0520	Great American Alliance Insurance Company
17.	24-0526	Travelers Casualty & Surety Co.
18.	24-0529	City of Lake Charles
19.	24-0538	LA Construction & Industry SIF
20.	24-0548	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
21.	24-0557	- Unverified
22.	24-0562	LA Workers' Compensation Corp.
23.	24-0565	Office of Risk Management
24.	24-0568	Tulane University
25.	24-0571	Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
26.	24-0574	LA Health Care- Self Ins. Fund
27.	24-0614	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
28.	24-0785	Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.
29.	24-0817	Louisiana Restaurant Association
30.	24-0833	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
31.	24-0839	City of Shreveport
32.	24-0854	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
33.	24-0907	City of New Orleans
34.	24-0918	New Hampshire Insurance Company (AIG)
35.	25-0005	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
36.	25-0013	Old Republic Insurance Company
37.	25-0014	Old Republic Insurance Company
38.	25-0016	Louisiana Restaurant Association
39.	25-0058	Ochsner Hospital (Ochsner Clinic Foundation)
40.	25-0075	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
41.	25-0118	- Unverified
42.	25-0123	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
43.	25-0158	City of New Orleans
44.	25-0167	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company
45.	25-0203	City of Hammond
46.	25-0254	Bridgefield Employers Insurance Company
47.	25-0269	LUBA Casualty Insurance Company

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously denied payment of the afore-listed claims.

VI. Recommended for Approval of Partial Payments Due: Claim #05-0596 to Claim #99-1104

Staff recommended payment of 132 partial payments in the total amount of \$2,426,556.66 for Claim #05-0596 to Claim #99-1104.

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously approved partial payments in the total amount of \$2,426,556.66 for 132 claims (Claim #05-0596 to Claim #99-1104).

VII. Recommended for Approval of Quarterly Payments Due: Claim #17-0203 to Claim #22-0373

Staff recommended payment of 46 quarterly payments in the total amount of \$724,760.88 for Claim #17-0203 to Claim #22-0373.

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously approved quarterly payments in the total amount of \$724,760.88 for 46 claims (Claim #17-0203 to Claim #22-0373).

VIII. Public Comments

None

IX. Executive Session - Discussion concerning Second Injury Board Litigation & Settlements

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board entered into Executive Session.

The Board concluded Executive Session and reconvened into its regular meeting.

X. Recommendation for Review of Settlements

A. Staff recommended settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis of the following ten claims:

1. 10-0867
2. 16-0052
3. 17-0180
4. 17-0503
5. 22-0213
6. 22-0299
7. 22-0481
8. 23-0128
9. 24-0031
10. 24-0838

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board approved payment of the afore-listed claims for settlement to be reimbursed on a quarterly basis.

- B. Staff recommended that reimbursement continue on an ongoing basis for the following eight claims:

1. 10-0942
2. 19-0704
3. 23-0137
4. 23-0699
5. 23-0803
6. 24-0110
7. 24-0230
8. 24-0231

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously approved the continuation of the afore-listed eight claims for settlement to be reimbursed on an ongoing basis.

XI. Second Injury Board Litigation

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the Board unanimously authorized legal counsel to proceed in the manner noted for the following claims that are currently in litigation:

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| 1. | 22-0890 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 2. | 22-0924 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 3. | 23-0067 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 4. | 23-0410 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 5. | 23-0449 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 6. | 23-0587 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 7. | 23-0594 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 8. | 23-0705 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 9. | 23-0727 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 10. | 23-0799 | Settlement Authority granted |
| 11. | 24-0199 | Settlement Authority granted |

XII. Any other matters requiring attention:

- A. Discussion of HB 624, authored by Representative Berault, as it could affect Board membership with agency change.
- B. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 10, 2025.

XIII. Adjournment

On motion of Ms. Kirby, seconded by Mr. Coulter, the meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.