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TO: Department Heads and Chief Financial Officers
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SUBJECT: Approved Collection Costs Rates for Civil Penalties, Fines, and Forfeitures

The Office of the State Budget and Management (OSBM) is required by statute ([G.S. 115C-457.2](#)) to approve the percentage of the civil penalties, fines, and forfeitures collected by State agencies, universities, community colleges, boards, and commissions ("agencies") which can be withheld as collection costs. The percentage is based on the actual collection costs incurred by the agencies for the prior year and cannot exceed 20 percent.

Appendix A provides the approved percentage of civil penalties, fines, and forfeitures collections that each agency may retain. All agencies approved to retain collection costs appear in this appendix.

Appendix B provides a list of agencies that collect civil penalties, fines, and forfeitures but do not retain any of the collections.

Appendix C provides a list of agencies that do not collect civil penalties, fines, and forfeitures.

OSBM has post updated [collection cost rates online](#). If you have any questions, please contact OSBM at CollectionCosts@osbm.nc.gov.

Appendix A: Approved Collection Cost Rates

Collection Costs Report – Approved Percentage for Use in FY 2025-26

Group Name	Department / Agency	Approved Collection Percentage FY 25-26	Date Approved
Agency	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	9.11%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Commerce – DES	20.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Environmental Quality	20.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services – DPH	20.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services – DSOHF	20.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Insurance – NC Industrial Commission	20.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Insurance – ASD, MRD, BBRD, and FARD	20.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Labor	15.00%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Revenue	0.41%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Secretary of State	14.68%	8/27/2025
Agency	Department of Transportation	2.58%	8/27/2025
Agency	State Board of Elections	20.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Brunswick Community College	13.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Cape Fear Community College	20.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Central Piedmont Community College	20.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Forsyth Technical Community College	20.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Guilford Technical Community College	20.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Halifax Community College	20.00%	8/27/2025
Community College	Wake Technical Community College	12.30%	8/27/2025
Licensing Board	NC Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners	20.00%	8/27/2025
Licensing Board	NC Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy	20.00%	8/27/2025
Licensing Board	NC Board of Occupational Therapy	20.00%	8/27/2025
Licensing Board	NC Irrigation Contractors' Licensing Board	20.00%	8/27/2025

Licensing Board	NC State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners	13.18%	8/27/2025
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors	7.20%	8/27/2025
Licensing Board	NC Veterinary Medical Board	3.02%	8/27/2025
University	North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	North Carolina State University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	Appalachian State University	14.08%	8/27/2025
University	East Carolina University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	Elizabeth City State University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	Fayetteville State University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	North Carolina Central University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina at Asheville	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina at Charlotte	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina at Pembroke	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina at Wilmington	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	University of North Carolina School of the Arts	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	Western Carolina University	20.00%	8/27/2025
University	Winston-Salem State University	20.00%	8/27/2025

** OSBM is responsible for aggregating and disbursing to the Department of Public Instruction all civil penalties, fines, and forfeitures that agencies collect. OSBM retains approximately five one-hundredths of a percent (0.05%) of the total funds collected.

Appendix B: Agencies that Collect Civil Penalties, Fines, and Forfeitures but Do Not Retain Collection Costs

Group Name	Department / Agency
Agency	Administrative Office of the Courts
Agency	Department of Administration
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services
Agency	Department of Insurance – Office of the State Fire Marshal
Agency	Department of Public Instruction
Agency	Department of Public Safety
Community College	Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College
Community College	Beaufort County Community College
Community College	Catawba Valley Community College
Community College	Fayetteville Technical Community College
Community College	Mayland Community College
Community College	Pitt Community College
Community College	Rockingham Community College
Community College	Southeastern Community College
Licensing Board	NC Auctioneer Licensing Board
Licensing Board	NC Board for Licensing of Geologists
Licensing Board	NC Board of Architecture
Licensing Board	NC Board of Examiners for Engineers and Surveyors
Licensing Board	NC Board of Funeral Service
Licensing Board	NC Board of Landscape Architects
Licensing Board	NC Medical Board
Licensing Board	NC Respiratory Care Board

Appendix C: Agencies that Do Not Collect Civil Penalties, Fines, and Forfeitures

Group Name	Department / Agency
Agency	Department of Adult Correction
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - J. Iverson Riddle Development Center
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Child and Family Well-Being
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Central Management and Support
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Aging and Adult Services
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Child Development
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Health Benefits
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Services for the Blind
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Agency	Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Mental Health/Retardation and Substance Abuse
Agency	Department of Information Technology
Agency	Department of Military and Veterans Affairs
Agency	Department of Natural and Cultural Resources
Agency	Department of Public Instruction
Agency	Department of State Treasurer
Agency	Department of Transportation
Agency	North Carolina Housing Finance Agency
Agency	Office of the State Controller
Agency	The University of North Carolina System Office
Agency	Wildlife Resources Commission
Agency	NC Community College System Office
Agency	Eastern NC School for the Deaf
Agency	NC School for the Deaf
Community College	Alamance Community College
Community College	Bladen Community College
Community College	Blue Ridge Community College

Community College	Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute
Community College	Carteret Community College
Community College	Central Carolina Community College
Community College	Coastal Carolina Community College
Community College	College of The Albemarle
Community College	Craven Community College
Community College	Davidson-Davie Community College
Community College	Edgecombe Community College
Community College	Gaston College
Community College	Haywood Community College
Community College	James Sprunt Community College
Community College	Johnston Community College
Community College	Lenoir Community College
Community College	Mitchell Community College
Community College	Montgomery Community College
Community College	Nash Community College
Community College	Pamlico Community College
Community College	Piedmont Community College
Community College	Randolph Community College
Community College	Richmond Community College
Community College	Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
Community College	Sampson Community College
Community College	Sandhills Community College
Community College	South Piedmont Community College
Community College	Southwestern Community College
Community College	Stanly Community College
Community College	Vance-Granville Community College
Community College	Wayne Community College
Community College	Western Piedmont Community College
Community College	Wilkes Community College
Licensing Board	NC Acupuncture Licensing Board
Licensing Board	NC Appraisal Board
Licensing Board	NC Behavior Analyst Licensure Board
Licensing Board	NC Board of Athletic Trainer Examiners
Licensing Board	NC Board of Barber Examiners
Licensing Board	NC Board of Dietetics/Nutrition

Licensing Board	NC Board of Environmental and Health Specialists
Licensing Board	NC Board of Examiners for Speech and Language Pathologists and Audiologists
Licensing Board	NC Board of Examiners of Fee-Based Practicing Pastoral Counselors
Licensing Board	NC Board of Law Examiners
Licensing Board	NC Board of Nursing
Licensing Board	NC Board of Pharmacy
Licensing Board	NC Board of Physical Therapy Examiners
Licensing Board	NC Board of Podiatry Examiners
Licensing Board	NC Board of Recreational Therapy Licensure
Licensing Board	NC Interpreters and Translators Licensing Board
Licensing Board	NC Landscape Contractors' Licensing Board
Licensing Board	NC Licensing Board for General Contractors
Licensing Board	NC Midwifery Joint Committee (of Medical Board and Board of Nursing)
Licensing Board	NC Office of the State Auditor
Licensing Board	NC Onsite Wastewater Contractor Inspector Certification Board
Licensing Board	NC Psychology Board
Licensing Board	NC Real Estate Commission
Licensing Board	NC Social Work Certification and Licensure Board
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Chiropractic Examiners
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Dental Examiners
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Examiners in Optometry
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Examiners of Plumbing, Heating, and Fire Sprinkler Contractors
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Refrigeration Examiners
Licensing Board	NC State Board of Registration for Foresters
Licensing Board	NC State Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters Board
Licensing Board	The North Carolina State Bar Council