

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

## **2026 REGULAR SESSION**

**Introduced**

### **Senate Bill 772**

By Senator Barrett

[Introduced February 5, 2026; referred  
to the Committee on Finance]

- 1 A BILL finding and declaring certain claims against the state and its agencies to be moral  
 2 obligations of the state; and directing the Auditor to issue warrants for the payment thereof.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**§1. Finding and declaring certain claims against the Department of Education; Department of Health and Human Resources; Department of Health Facilities; Division of Corrections; Division of Highways; Division of Motor Vehicles; and West Virginia Army National Guard, to be moral obligations of the state and directing payment thereof.**

- 1 The Legislature has considered the findings of fact and recommendations reported to it by  
 2 the Legislative Claims Commission concerning various claims against the state and agencies  
 3 thereof and, in respect to each of the following claims, the Legislature adopts those findings of fact  
 4 as its own and in respect of the claims herein, the Legislature has independently made findings of  
 5 fact and determinations of award and hereby declares it to be the moral obligation of the state to  
 6 pay each such claim in the amount specified below and directs the Auditor to issue warrants for the  
 7 payment thereof out of any fund appropriated and available for the purpose.

*(a) Claim against the Department of Education:*

(TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND)

- (1) Sorenson.....\$513.08

*(b) Claim against the Department of Health and Human Resources:*

(TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND)

- (1) FEI.com, Inc. dba FEI Systems.....\$34,403.81

*(c) Claim against Department of Health Facilities:*

(TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND)

- (1) Athena Consulting LLC.....\$571.98

*(d) Claim against the Division of Corrections and Rehabilitation:*

## (TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND)

(1) John Michael Dignazio, Jr.....\$240.00

(e) *Claims against Department of Transportation, Division of Highways:*

## (TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND)

(1) Ra'ed J. Abdel-Hadi.....\$500.00

(2) Addie Adkins & Eric Hardman..... \$1,000.00

(3) David Arnold & Samantha Pillo..... \$475.94

(4) Holly Bailey on behalf of John Kennedy Bailey..... \$20,000.00

(5) Holly Bailey as Mother and Guardian of B. B., a minor child.....\$30,000.00

(6) Joshua Beaver..... \$278.98

(7) Josh Bruce & Ashley Bruce..... \$250.00

(8) Burns Motor Freight, Inc. & Doug Burns..... \$9,000.00

(9) John Carter & Collision Appraisal Reinspection Service.....\$500.00

(10) Meghan Chill.....\$1,500.00

(11) Patrick Troy Clagett..... \$587.62

(12) Evelyn M. Clark..... \$5,000.00

(13) Tiffany Comer..... \$252.16

(14) Alexander Cruzzavala..... \$3,000.00

(15) Gary Davis & Lisa Davis.....\$500.00

(16) Russell Driskel, Administrator of the Estate of Raymond M. Driskel.\$5,000.00

(17) Kaitlin Fields..... \$1,000.00

(18) Kala Ford & Alec Donaldson..... \$991.89

(19) Roy D. Forren..... \$1,000.00

(20) S. Gibson.....\$274.42

(21) Diane Hackney..... \$1,000.00

(22) Brian Hawes..... \$1,620.00

(23)	Hoffman Grain Farms LLC & Joe Hoffman.....	\$5,000.00
(24)	Karen L. Hollinger.....	\$150.00
(25)	Helen W. Hughes & Denny Hughes.....	\$500.00
(26)	Kyara Keiffer.....	\$82.00
(27)	Deborah Klimek.....	\$1,000.00
(28)	Jacquelyn Klingshirn.....	\$500.00
(29)	David E. Kurp & Paula J. Kurp.....	\$900.00
(30)	Christina Lanham.....	\$1,000.00
(31)	Lori Leber.....	\$621.01
(32)	Michele Lemon.....	\$337.00
(33)	Charles W. Malone.....	\$500.00
(34)	Nicholas Marsh.....	\$434.30
(35)	Paul David Martin & Penny Lee Martin.....	\$10,412.04
(36)	Davien McCarty.....	\$500.00
(37)	Wesley McDonald.....	\$24,328.41
(38)	Maggie V. McDowell & Steven L. Buser.....	\$28,750.00
(39)	Julie Moon.....	\$764.26
(40)	David F. Moore.....	\$1,078.14
(41)	Gary L. Morris & Shelley R. Morris.....	\$12,000.00
(42)	Craig W. Neal.....	\$449.56
(43)	Valerie Nicholas-Littles.....	\$2,000.00
(44)	James A. Norman & Bobba P. Norman.....	\$6,525.00
(45)	William O'Neal & Regina O'Neal.....	\$1,000.00
(46)	Kimberly Page.....	\$1,256.78
(47)	Jake Parker.....	\$158.17
(48)	Essie P. Parsons.....	\$472.59

(49)	Jessica B. Perkins.....	\$265.00
(50)	Paul Phillips.....	\$500.00
(51)	Everett Randolph.....	\$106.20
(52)	David A. Rapp.....	\$2,500.00
(53)	Pierce D. Reesman.....	\$174.13
(54)	Charles R. Smith & Mary Wagner.....	\$4,876.00
(55)	Mason Scott Stark.....	\$7,500.00
(56)	Ethan Taylor & Chad Taylor.....	\$1,000.00
(57)	Stephanie Taylor.....	\$1,000.00
(58)	Jennifer Tucker.....	\$1,000.00
(59)	Edward Ross Tuckwiller, II.....	\$688.58
(60)	Richard L. Turley.....	\$4,732.36
(61)	Waldron S. Whitfield.....	\$500.00
(62)	Tabitha Young.....	\$634.10
(63)	Mary E. Youngblood.....	\$172.12

(f) *Claim against the Division of Motor Vehicles:*

(TO BE PAID FROM STATE ROAD FUND)

(1)	Ensono, LLC.....	\$49,407.70
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(g) *Claims against WV Army National Guard*

(TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL REVENUE FUND)

(1)	Devon MD, LLC.....	\$32,561.20
(2)	DMD Medical Group Inc.....	\$92,365.00

8           The Legislature finds that the above moral obligations and the appropriations made in  
9   satisfaction thereof shall be the full compensation for all claimants and that prior to the payments

10 to any claimant provided in this bill, the Legislative Claims Commission shall receive a release  
11 from said claimant releasing any and all claims for moral obligations arising from the matters  
12 considered by the Legislature in the finding of the moral obligations and the making of the  
13 appropriations for said claimant. The Legislative Claims Commission shall deliver all releases  
14 obtained from claimants to the department against which the claim was allowed.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to declare certain claims against the state to be moral obligations of the state and to authorize payments therefor from the following funds:

GENERAL REVENUE FUND: \$160,655.07

STATE ROAD FUND: \$259,506.46

TOTAL: \$420,161.53