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**NOTICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGE
CALCULATION FOR VOLUNTEER CONSTABLES IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

To: All South Carolina Constables

From: SLED Chief Mark Keel 

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Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 42-7-65(5),

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 42-1-40, for the purpose of this title [Workers' Compensation in South Carolina] and while serving in this capacity, **the total average weekly wage... for all volunteer state constables appointed pursuant to Section 23-1-60, while performing duties in connection with their appointments and authorized by the State Law Enforcement Division, [is] thirty-seven and one-half percent of the average weekly wage in the State for the preceding fiscal year.**

For reference, S.C. Code Ann. § 42-1-40 states,

“Average weekly wages” means the earnings of the injured employee in the employment in which he was working at the time of the injury during the period of fifty-two weeks immediately preceding the date of the injury, including the subsistence allowance paid to veteran trainees by the United States Government if the amount of the allowance is reported monthly by the trainee to his employer.