Ohio Sunset Review Committee
Agency Questionnaire

Industrial Commission Nominating Council
Agency Name _____

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Agency's primary purpose and its various goals and objectives

The Industrial Commission Nominating Council was created pursuant to ORC 4121.04, and is charged with two separate & distinct functions and objectives:

1. To review candidates for vacancies on the three-member Ohio Industrial Commission and submit a list of three qualified candidates to the Governor, for selection, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4121.02(D). This task is conducted every two years;

2. To appoint a Chief Ombuds Officer for a six-year term and to meet annually to review the activities of the Ombuds Office pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4121.45(A).

Agency's past and anticipated workload, number of staff required to complete workload, and total number of staff

The Industrial Commission Nominating Council workload is comprised of an annual meeting to review Ombuds Office activities, and to review candidates for vacancies on the Industrial Commission, forwarding three qualified candidates, as set forth in ORC 4121.02 (A), to the Governor for his selection.

The Industrial Commission Nominating Council does not have any full-time staff exclusively dedicated to completing its statutorily required duties. Instead, any limited administrative functions to support the Industrial Commission Nominating Council are provided by Workers' Compensation Ombuds Office personnel.

When the Industrial Commission Nominating Council submits candidates to the Governor, there is a minimal amount of Ombuds Office staff time spent copying and/or scanning resumes and other materials, amounting to approximately 1-3 hours per year.

The Ombudsperson attends the annual meetings of the Industrial Commission Nominating Council, which amounts to approximately 3-5 hours annually.

Agency's past and anticipated budgets and its sources of funding

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4121.04(D), members of the Nominating Council shall be paid fifty dollars per day and shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses while engaged in the performance of their duties as members of the Nominating Council. The Industrial Commission Nominating Council budget is paid out of the Industrial Commission operating account. Below is a table outlining annual spending from FY 2019 to FY 2023:

Fiscal Year	**Spending**
FY 2019	$494.19
FY 2020	$0 (COVID-19)
FY 2021	$510.16
FY 2022	$546.01
FY 2023	$528.29

The Industrial Commission Nominating Council's budget remains less than $1,000.00 per year. This minimal level of spending is expected to remain consistent for the foreseeable future.

Number of members of its governing board or other governing entity and their compensation, if any

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4121.04 (A), the 12 member Industrial Commission Nominating Council shall consist of the following members, appointed by the Governor:

- Five employer representatives;
- Four labor representatives;
- One representative from the Ohio Association for Justice;
- Two members of the public, each of a different political party.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4121.04 (B) and 4121.04 (F), the Governor shall appoint at least one member from each of the Ohio industry organizations, which includes:

- The Ohio Self-Insurers' Association;
- The Ohio Manufacturers' Association;
- The Ohio Council of Retail Merchants;
- The Ohio Chamber of Commerce;
- The National Federation of Independent Business.

Terms of office of employer and employee representatives, as well as the representative from the Ohio Association for Justice, are for four years, while the public members shall serve for a term of two years.

Pursuant to ORC 4121.04 (D), members of the Industrial Commission Nominating Council are paid $50.00 per day and reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses if they are submitted.

These two expenses represent the only budget costs of the Industrial Commission Nominating Council.

Additional notes

To maintain operational efficiency, it is the recommendation of the Ohio Industrial Commission that the Industrial Commission Nominating Council continue in its current form and operational structure.