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FRANKFORT, KY – At its September 16, 2026, meeting, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission ("the Commission") found Johnny Byrd of Manchester, Kentucky, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Johnny Byrd admitted to six (6) counts in violation of the Code of Ethics, KRS 11A.020(1)(a), (c), or (d). Specifically, while employed as a Roadside Environmental Section Highway Technician Superintendent II, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, he falsely reported state time on his timesheet entries in KHRIS and used the state vehicle for personal matters.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Johnny Byrd agreed to pay a $2,000.00 civil penalty, receive a public reprimand, and waive any right to appeal. The Commission concluded the matter by issuing an Agreed Final Order.

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