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FRANKFORT, KY – At its July 16, 2025 meeting, the Executive Branch Ethics Commission (“The Commission”) found Danny “Dean” McGraw, of Grayson, Kentucky, in violation of KRS Chapter 11A, the Executive Branch Code of Ethics.

In a Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission, Danny “Dean” McGraw admitted to ten (10) counts of violating the Code of Ethics, KRS 11A.020(1)(a), (c), and (d). Specifically, while employed as the Deputy Warden, Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, over a ten-month period from April 2023 through February 2024, Danny “Dean” McGraw used a state vehicle, and the credit card assigned to that vehicle to fund his personal round trip commute to the facility where he was employed. He also claimed 173.25 hours of regular and compensatory time that he did not work. He did so to suit his own financial interests, in conflict with his duties as a public servant, and in derogation of the public interest at large.

Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, Danny “Dean” McGraw agreed to pay a \$16,000.00 civil penalty, receive a public reprimand, and waive any right to appeal. The Commission concluded the matter by issuing an Agreed Final Order.