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Office of Administrative Hearings

Render justice through fair, timely, and impartial hearings
and high-quality dispute resolution services.



Workers'
Comp



Administrative
Law



Rulemaking



Boundary
Adjustments

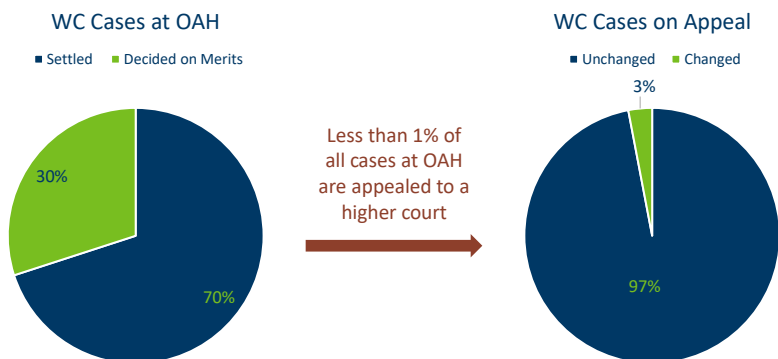
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Efficient



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Effective



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Independent

All Judges at OAH:

- Learned in the law
- Free of political and economic conflicts of interest
- Subject to the Code of Judicial Conduct

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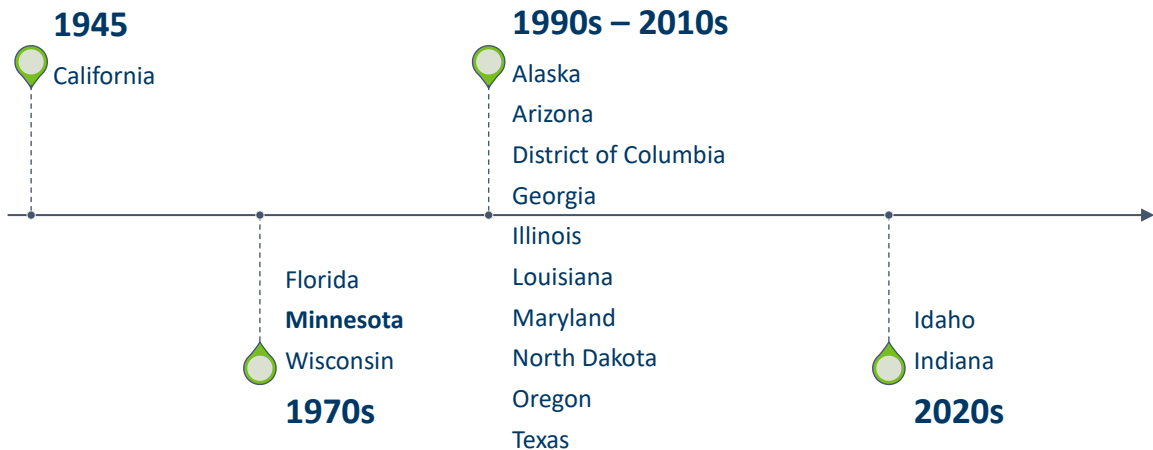
Public Engagement

Over 1,000 people attended the hearing on a proposed incorporation in Baldwin township.



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We are not alone



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Each is unique



Created by
unique
pressures



Legislative
action or
executive
order



Broad or
narrow
jurisdiction



Mandatory or
voluntary use



Decisions as final
orders or
recommendations

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All have a shared purpose

To ensure a

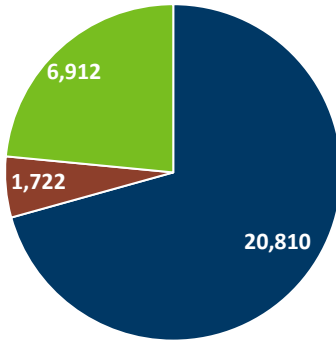
- high-quality,
- effective,
- efficient,
- and independent administrative judiciary.

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No jurisdiction that has adopted a central panel has returned to its previous practice.

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FY 24-25 Biennial Budget



- 1 Workers' Compensation Fund (70%)
- 2 Enterprise Fund (23%)
- 3 General Fund (7%)

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Budget Recommendation

Change Item Title: Operating Adjustment

Fiscal Impact (\$000s)	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
General Fund				
Expenditures	10	20	20	20
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Other Funds				
Expenditures	589	1,178	1,178	1,178
Revenues	0	0	0	0
Net Fiscal Impact = (Expenditures – Revenues)	599	1,198	1,198	1,198
FTEs	0	0	0	0

Recommendation:

The Governor recommends additional funding of \$10,000 in FY 2026 and \$20,000 in each subsequent year from the general fund, as well as \$589,000 in FY 2026 and \$1,178,000 in each subsequent year from the workers compensation fund to help address operating cost increases at the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH).

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Thank you!

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