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North Carolina Senate President Pro Tempore Phil Berger North Carolina House of Representatives Speaker Tim Moore Co-Chairs, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

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Representative Ted Davis, Jr.
Representative Allen McNeill
Co-Chairs, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety

North Carolina General Assembly Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-1096

Re: Annual Qui Tam report for 2020 under G.S. § 1-617(b)

Dear Members:

G.S. § 1-617(b) requires the Attorney General to submit to the Joint Legislative Committee on Governmental Operations and the Chairs of the Appropriations Subcommittees on Justice and Public Safety an annual report on the number of qui tam cases under the North Carolina False Claims Act (G.S. § 1-605 through 1-618) pending in the State and the number of qui tam cases pending in other jurisdictions involving the State, the number of qui tam cases under the North Carolina False Claims Act that were settled, the number of qui tam cases in which judgment was entered, and the amount of proceeds paid to qui tam plaintiffs during the previous calendar year.

For the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020, the Attorney General's report pursuant to G.S. § 1-617(b) is as follows:

Qui tam cases pending in North Carolina as of 12/31/2020	35
Qui tam cases pending in other jurisdictions involving claims under the North Carolina False Claims Act as of 12/31/2020	245
Qui tam cases under the North Carolina False Claims Act settled in 2020	9
Qui tam cases under the North Carolina False Claims Act in which judgment was entered	0
Amount of proceeds paid to qui tam plaintiffs in 2020	\$ 782,335.02

We will be happy to respond to any questions you may have regarding this report.

Very truly yours,

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