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Sensitive health information on S.C. citizens contained in a massive "data warehouse" is being routinely approved for release by a few members of an obscure state panel. Read more about it [here](#).

Still Hot

Big pay hike sought by S.C. judges also would fatten their retirement wallets

In submitting the proposed 2019-20 budget for the S.C. Judicial Department, Supreme Court Chief Justice Donald Beatty called for pay raises for judges elected by the Legislature - including himself. What he didn't say was how big the pay hike would be, or how it would affect special retirement benefits that some judges already are receiving on top of their six-figure salaries. Read [here](#) what we discovered.

Pot of unspent gas-tax-hike revenues grows to nearly \$361 million

After 16 months into the gas-tax-hike law, the state Department of Transportation was sitting on nearly \$361 million in revenues as of Oct. 31 - a more than 6 percent jump from the end of September. Find out [here](#) how much has been spent so far in your county.

Secrecy surrounds incentives info for Amazon HQ2 search, other S.C. projects

The S.C. Department of Commerce says it didn't make a formal pitch for a second national Amazon headquarters, though the agency won't release incentives information it provided to counties to compete for the project. Commerce's latest refusal to reveal even general information is part of a long history of secrecy by the agency when it comes to taxpayer-backed incentives. Read more about it [here](#).

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