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## ***Now on The Nerve***

### **Special corruption prosecutor won't seek release of Harrell file**

In 2018, The Nerve asked the State Law Enforcement Division four times to release its investigative file on ex-S.C. House speaker Bobby Harrell, but was denied each time. David Pascoe, the special prosecutor assigned to the case, won't seek the public release of the file, though closed criminal cases generally are considered public records. Read more about it [here](#).

## ***Still Hot***

### **Little-known S.C. panel regularly OKs requests to release sensitive information**

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](#).

### **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**

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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.

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