Commission on Peace Officer Standards & Training
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# Report # POST2601428 - Agency Misconduct Report

| REPORT DATE / TIME | DISTRICT / COUNTY / / / | EVENT START DATE / TIME - EVENT END DATE / TIME |
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| Feb 12, 2026 12:40 | Sacramento | [redacted] |

| PRIMARY REPORTER | INVESTIGATING AGENCY |
|---|---|
| [redacted] | CA Department of Health Care Services |

REPORT TAKEN LOCATION

1501 CAPITOL AVE, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

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REPORTABLE EVENT TYPE

- [x] 1029 Disqualifier
- [ ] Civil Settlement
- [x] Complaint, Charge, or Allegation
- [ ] Civil Judgment
- [ ] Civilian OIG Oversight/Review
- [ ] Court Finding

## NARRATIVE

**SUMMARY OF SERIOUS MISCONDUCT ALLEGATIONS:**

On July 1, 2025, we were notified that an audit by the Department of General Services flagged Investigator Gonzalez's state WEX card as having been used to purchase alcohol. An interna; affairs case was opened and we found numerous instances of him making personal purchases with the card. During the Internal Affairs interrogation, Investigator Gonzalez was dishonest as to his use of the card. [redacted]

**RELATED CASE(S)**

None

**RELEVANT LAWS/POLICIES:**

Violations of the State WEX card usage policy prohibiting purchase of personal items with the State issued WEX card.

**PEACE OFFICER CURRENT STATUS:**

Adverse action served 2/11/2026. Termination effective 2/19/2026.

**WITNESS INFORMATION:**

[redacted]

[redacted]

**IA INVESTIGATOR NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION:**

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

**BODY WORN CAMERA INFORMATION:**

N/A

**AGENCY INVESTIGATION DETAILS:**

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On Tuesday, July 1, 2025, Acting Chief of Investigations, [redacted] informed me that Investigator Irvin Gonzalez was alleged to have made a personal purchase using his state issued WEX fleet card. The WEX transaction log reflected the purchase of three bottles of alcohol at a gas station on June 2, 2025. This occurred 10 weeks after he used the card to make a personal purchase using the card in the amount of $19.99. Investigator Gonzalez reported the personal purchase shortly after recognizing the gas station clerk rang up his personal items in one transaction along with his gasoline. Gonzalez has since paid DGS back for the purchase of these personal items in March 2025.

On July 2, 2025, Investigator [redacted] and I reached out to [redacted], fleet card coordinator at the Department of General Services to confirm information about the WEX transaction logs. [redacted] advised [redacted] reviews the monthly log to check for gasoline, car washes, oil and other vehicle related expenses. They do not flag dates and times of purchase and WEX will only flag the card if it is used three times in one day. They might also contact her if they suspect fraudulent use of a card. There is no edit in the system that declines non-vehicle related purchases. [redacted] also confirmed they do not receive line-item transaction logs that break down what was purchased, only the category of the items such as "general merchandise". [redacted] indicated that some gas stations list car washes in this category, so it is not possible to differentiate if a personal item was purchased versus a car wash just from looking at the receipt. [redacted] further confirmed that any time a WEX card is used, the driver must enter the driver ID and the mileage of the vehicle in order for the card to authorize the purchase.

[redacted] verified that Gonzalez did contact [redacted] about personal items that were purchased in March of 2025. He did not tell [redacted] what the items were beyond "personal items", and [redacted] did not ask. [redacted] confirmed the purchase included $70.00 in gasoline and $19.99 in personal items. [redacted] did receive a check from Gonzalez and provided us with a copy of the envelope and a check dated April 12, 2025, in the amount of $19.99 and written out to the Department of General Services. [redacted] also provided us with email correspondence between [redacted] and Gonzalez about the amount of the purchase, dated April 2, 2025. [redacted] then provided us with WEX transaction logs for September 14, 2023 to April 30, 2024, May 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025 and June 1, 2025 – October 31, 2025 so we could review the logs for any further suspicious transactions.

We then reached out to [redacted] DHCS vehicle services coordinator via email to determine if [redacted] had any access to WEX card transaction log or itemized purchase information. [redacted] advised tha [redacted] did not, and [redacted] usually receives alerts from [redacted] when there is an issue with a card. [redacted] collects information from the identified staff and reports that back to [redacted]. [redacted] provided us with emails from [redacted] dated July 1, 2025, requested information about a purchase on the June Wex invoice that showed a charge for "general alcohol" in the amount of $11.97. [redacted] confirmed the vehicle was [redacted] and was assigned to Investigator Irvin Gonzalez. [redacted] responded and asked for a copy of the receipt to help determine if monies needed to be paid back to DGS. [redacted] hen forward the request to [redacted], the Peace Officer Investigations Branch fleet liaison, to inquire into the charge and any available receipt. [redacted] orwarded the request to Supervising Fraud Investigator I [redacted] informed [redacted] chain of command.We notified [redacted] that an internal investigation would be conducted, and we would get back to them with more information about the purchase once the investigation was completed. [redacted]

[redacted] he items purchased included:
-Jack Link Jumo Teriyaki Beef Steak, 2 oz. @ $3.99
-Jack Link Sweet N Hot Beef Steak 2 oz. @ $3.99
-Comnuts Ranch @ $1.99
-Hilshire Hot Calabrese Salame @ $4.99
-Barebells Protein Cookie Cream @ $3.69
-Barebells Protein Caramel Cashew @ $3.69
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-Express Carwash @ $9.00

The receipt from the [redacted] March 12, 2025 at 1542 hours shows that Investigator Gonzalez purchased the following:
-Comnuts Ranch @ $2.79
-Barbells Ckies & Crmel @ $3.99
-Modelo Negro 24 oz. @ $4.39
-Celsius Sparkling Watermelon @ $3.59
-NBB Voodoo Rngr Imprl IPA 19.2 oz @ $3.99
-Prepay deposit (gasoline) @ $70.00

The information derived from [redacted] showed two bottles of "Kuji Melon" were purchased. [redacted] retrieved a bottle of this drink for me, and photos were taken. The beverages were located in the stores cold case. Kuji Melon is a coconut milk drink that does not contain alcohol. [redacted] did not know why the transaction was recorded as "general alcohol" on the WEX statement as it is entered as "packaged juice" in their inventory system. [redacted]

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WEX cards statements and transactions receipts that establish improper use of the associated WEX fleet card(s).

**AGENCY INVESTIGATION STATUS/FINDINGS:**

The investigation was sustained and has been closed with an action served.

*COMPLAINANT-1*

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COMPLAINANT-1 (ORGANIZATION)
R-1 DHCS

ORGANIZATION TYPE
Government

MAILING ADDRESS
1700 K ST, SACRAMENTO, CA 95811

PHONE NUMBER
(916) 750-1169 (Work Phone)

## AGENCY MISCONDUCT

| INVESTIGATION STATUS | AGENCY IA # | DATE/TIME AGENCY AWARE OF ALLEGED MISCONDUCT |
|---|---|---|
| Sustained | 25-001A | Feb 11, 2026 16:00 |

| NUMBER OF PEACE OFFICERS INVOLVED IN INCIDENT | NUMBER OF AGENCIES INVOLVED IN INCIDENT |
|---|---|
| 1 | 1 |

CITATION LOCATION
1501 CAPITOL AVE, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

MISCONDUCT CODE - 1
1205(a)(1) Dishonesty

*SUBJECT OF INVESTIGATION: (ONLY ONE(1) OFFICER OR AGENCY)-1*

| SUBJECT OF INVESTIGATION: (ONLY ONE(1) OFFICER OR AGENCY)-1 NAME (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE) | DOB / ESTIMATED AGE RANGE |
|---|---|
| CR-1 GONZALEZ, IRVIN R | [redacted] |

| SEX | RACE / ETHNICITY |
|---|---|
| [redacted] | [redacted] |

HOME ADDRESS
[redacted]

## INVOLVED ORGANIZATIONS

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INVOLVEMENT TYPE
Complainant

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## PERSON ADDENDUM

| FIRST NAME | LAST NAME | MIDDLE NAME | DOB / ESTIMATED AGE RANGE |
|---|---|---|---|
| IRVIN | GONZALEZ | R | [redacted] |

| RACE / ETHNICITY | SEX | DECEASED | POST ID |
|---|---|---|---|
| [redacted] | [redacted] | ☐ YES ■ NO | C85-O71 |

STATE ID NUMBER
CA

| HOME ADDRESS-1 | ENTERED DATE |
|---|---|
| [redacted] | Feb 12, 2026 |

| EMPLOYER NAME-1 | PHONE NUMBER |
|---|---|
| DHCS | [redacted] |

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EMPLOYER ADDRESS

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| OCCUPATION | EMPLOYMENT START - END DATE |
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| Investigator | [redacted]- 2026-02-19 |

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