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## **Correspondence Memorandum**

**Date:** January 12, 2023  
**To:** Group Insurance Board  
**From:** Kim Esselman, Appeals Coordinator  
 Office of Legal Services  
**Subject:** Pending Appeals Annual Report 2022

**This memo is for informational purposes only. No Board action is necessary.**

During calendar year 2022, 12 new appeals were filed, four final decisions were issued, and 10 appeals were withdrawn. As of December 31, 2022, there were 54 pending appeals among the Employee Trust Funds Board (ETF), Group Insurance Board (GIB), and Wisconsin Retirement Board (WR). There were zero pending appeals among the Teachers Retirement Board (TR) and the Deferred Compensation Board (DC).

**Table 1. PENDING APPEALS BY BOARD**

<b>ETF</b>	<b>GIB</b>	<b>WR</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>DC</b>
37*	8	9	0	0

The GIB has the authority to accept timely appeals of determinations made by the Department of Employee Trust Funds affecting any right or benefit under any group insurance plan provided for under [Wis. Stats. § 40.03\(6\)\(i\)](#). The following chart identifies the eight active appeals by topic. (See Chart 1 on page 2.)

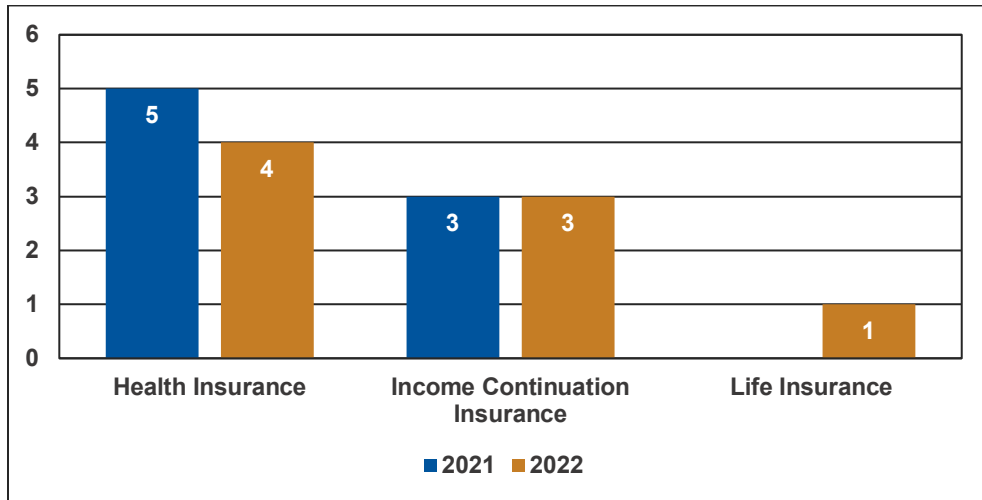
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\* Twenty-five (25) of the pending ETF appeals involve a group of employees who were changed from the Protective employment category to the General employment category.

Reviewed and approved by Diana Felsmann, General Counsel, Office of Legal Services  
 Electronically Signed 01/24/2023

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GIB	02.22.23	14H

**Chart 1. GROUP INSURANCE BOARD APPEALS BY TOPIC**



Staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.