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<p>Career Politician Roy Cooper: Failed Record, Weak Leadership.</p>	<p>As Attorney General, one of Roy Cooper's responsibilities was to oversee the SBI crime lab</p>	<p>"The proposed budget presented by Senate Republicans on Tuesday would move the State Bureau of Investigation and its embattled crime laboratory under a newly-created Department of Public Safety, a plan the attorney general opposes. A provision would shift oversight of both to a Cabinet-level secretary appointed by a governor. Currently, oversight is done by Attorney General Roy Cooper"- "NC Senate budget would move SBI, lab to new agency" Robertson, Gary (2011, May 24) <i>Realclearpolitics</i>.</p>
	<p>But Cooper failed to do his job</p>	
<p>"withheld, or distorted evidence" News &amp; Observer 8/19/10</p>	<p>Under Cooper the SBI lab "withheld, or distorted evidence" in hundreds of cases, leading to wrongful convictions and criminals going unpunished.</p>	<p>"Scathing SBI audit says 230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations"- "Scathing SBI audit says 230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations" Locke, Mandy, Neff, Joseph, and Curliss, Andrew. (2010, Aug. 19) <i>Raleigh News and Observer</i></p> <p>"The North Carolina justice system shook Wednesday as an audit commissioned by Attorney General Roy Cooper revealed that the State Bureau of Investigation withheld or distorted evidence in more than 200 cases at the expense of potentially innocent men and women." -"Scathing SBI audit says 230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations" Locke, Mandy, Neff, Joseph, and Curliss, Andrew. (2010, Aug. 19) <i>Raleigh News and Observer</i>.</p> <p>"The state agreed to pay \$7.85 million to settle the state lawsuit filed by Floyd Brown, a mentally disabled man locked up for 14 years in a psychiatric hospital based on what his lawyers said</p>

		<p>was a false confession created out of whole cloth by an SBI agent. Brown has also reached a separate settlement with Anson County, whose sheriff's deputies helped investigate the case. A federal judge has sealed the Anson County settlement; North Carolina law requires that all such court settlements be public records. The state also agreed to pay \$4.625 million to Greg Taylor, a Wake County man convicted in 1993 for the murder of a woman found beaten and abandoned in an East Raleigh cul-de-sac." - "N.C. agrees to \$12 million settlement for two wrongly imprisoned men" Neff, Joseph and Locke, Mandy (2013, Aug 13.) <i>Raleigh News and Observer</i>.</p>
<p>"'staggering lack of Competence'" News &amp; Observer 8/19/10</p> <p>"230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations" News &amp; Observer 8/19/10</p>	<p>Under Roy Cooper the SBI was tainted by "shoddy investigations" and a "'staggering lack of competence at the lab'"</p>	<p>"Scathing SBI audit says 230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations"- "Scathing SBI audit says 230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations" Locke, Mandy, Neff, Joseph, and Curliss, Andrew. (2010, Aug. 19) <i>Raleigh News and Observer</i>.</p> <p>This report reveals staggering lack of competence at the lab," said Mike Klinkosum, a Raleigh lawyer who represented Taylor in February and helped discover Deaver's withheld test results. "It's an abomination of the criminal justice system and an affront to all the decent law enforcement officers out there doing their jobs." - "Scathing SBI audit says 230 cases tainted by shoddy investigations" Locke, Mandy, Neff, Joseph, and Curliss, Andrew. (2010, Aug. 19) <i>Raleigh News and Observer</i>.</p>
<p>Roy Cooper Career Politician: Stripped of his Responsibility over SBI Lab</p>	<p>The state had to take the SBI away from Cooper's management.</p>	<p>"The 2014 state budget transferred the State Bureau of Investigation from the North Carolina Department of Justice to the North Carolina Department of Public Safety where operates as an independent agency. The Alcohol Law Enforcement Agency is a branch of the SBI." "SBI Director B.W. Collier Takes Oath of Office at State Capitol" (2015, July 1) <i>McCrory administration press Release</i></p>
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