



Nikki R. Haley
Governor

SOUTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Robert M. Hitt III
Secretary

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Members of the South Carolina Senate
Members of the South Carolina House of Representatives

VIA EMAIL

Dear Members:

Having served previously on the Board of New Carolina, I am well aware of its value to the state on issues of competitiveness. In fact, New Carolina has been involved in and remunerated for work performed in conjunction with the Department of Commerce in the areas of transportation, distribution and logistics (TDL); education and workforce; and, most recently, aerospace.

While I believe that this kind of work brings value to Commerce's mission, I equally believe that consulting services of this nature should be included as part of the regular course of appropriations to the Department of Commerce, thereby empowering the agency to select its partners.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter, and I urge you to sustain the Governor's vetoes 64 and 65.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Hitt III", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert M. Hitt III

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