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Legislators have been travelling around the state to hear testimony and gain insight into the rising opioid addiction epidemic in the state

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2017/07/13/greenvilles-opioid-problem-brought-forefront-public-hearing/469547001/>

SC Ports reported a record high 2.14 million containers moved this fiscal year, a 10% increase from last year

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/money/2017/07/12/sc-ports-set-record-shipped-containers/472129001/>

BMW reported sales of 1.038 million units this year, a 5% increase from last year

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2017/07/12/bmw-reports-increase-x-5-deliveries-year/471662001/>

Former S.C. Chamber of Commerce chairman, Mikee Johnson, has funneled \$57,800 to Catherine Templeton

<http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/article161059229.html>

Rep. Brad Sherman, a Democrat from California, has filed articles of impeachment against President Trump, accusing him of obstruction of justice

<http://www.thestate.com/latest-news/article160988129.html>

SC DHEC director Catherine Hiegel is leaving her position two years into her four year term for reasons that have yet to be made public

[http://www.postandcourier.com/news/south-carolina-health-and-environmental-agency-losing-director/article\\_6cbca0ce-67d0-11e7-b9f5-ef8a550e5b9a.html](http://www.postandcourier.com/news/south-carolina-health-and-environmental-agency-losing-director/article_6cbca0ce-67d0-11e7-b9f5-ef8a550e5b9a.html)

Upstate Sheriffs are seeking to end the \$10,000 salary cap for retired officers who return to the field, but still collect pensions

<http://www.goupstate.com/news/20170712/sheriffs-want-salary-cap-lifted-for-retired-employees>

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