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Subject: Re: Question from the Governor

This looks good. I think we are missing a bullet in the under the senate plan about the gas tax increase? I believe they offered 12cent increase which equaled 600k? Double. Check that.

I would also note (simrill's plan) next to H.3579.

I would those then send a new email response. Thoughts?

On Aug 12, 2015, at 3:51 PM, Mottel, Haley <HaleyMottel@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

Status of the legislature and roads -

House:

- Passed House version, H.3579 (RCV: 87-20)
- DOT is currently under review by the House Legislative Oversight Committee
 - o The subcommittee (Henderson, Chair; Norman; Ridgeway; & Rivers) met on August 11th for a discussion on the study and heard from Christy Hall, the agency's chief internal auditor, and commissioners.
 - o Discussion included a DOT policy change that would prevent former DOT employees from working on state contracts awarded to their new employer for a period of one year after leaving the agency.

Senate:

- The Roads Bill, H.3579, is currently on the Senate calendar in one of the 3 special order slots. It was amended with the Senate Finance Committee amendment - \$800 million tax increase.
- Senate caucus roads plan is still in play.
 - o 1% income tax cut
 - o DHEC style governing board
- Davis has supported the anti-tax groups and believes there is no need for a tax increase – he will still attempt to filibuster the caucus version because of the tax increase. Davis said his mission over the next five months is to educate voters on his arguments. He believes no tax hike is needed. "Yeah, we've got a horrible road and bridge problem, but it won't be solved by putting more money in a system that's broken," he said.
- Two restructuring bills are in Senate Transportation that would allow for the appointment of DOT Secretary.

From: Burns, James
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 4:03 PM
To: Veldran, Katherine; Mottel, Haley
Subject: Question from the Governor

KV and Haley,

The Governor sent me a list of questions to assist in Monday's agenda meeting. There was only one question that I think falls in your lane, and we discussed it a bit yesterday.

1. Where are we on work being done in the legislature on roads?

I believe that most of this question is likely related to what is happening in the Senate (unless you are hearing the House is doing something more). I think the best way to address this is to identify the various plans that are out there (Cleary plan, GOP Caucus plan, Davis plan), and to identify what steps we are taking, or can take, to address the roads issue. If you are hearing things from specific legislators, I would include that as well.

This obviously will be discussed on Monday, but if we can get something to send her ahead of time, that would be great.

Thanks and safe travels,
JB

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