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**Subject:** Re: Ethics Follow Up

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I thought the Governor's statements were well received. Tpope

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On Dec 2, 2013, at 8:14 PM, "Veldran, Katherine" <KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

Tommy,  
Below might be more information than requested...  
Thank you for your participation. Please let me know if you have any questions.  
I hope this helps.  
Katherine

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3:00 PM, Tuesday, December 3, 2013

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H.3945, in general

- Although it is not as strong as the McMaster-Medlock recommendations, we have a good bill up for debate on the Senate floor.
- Under the leadership of Senators Campsen, Hayes, Massey and Larry Martin and Representatives Quinn, James Smith, Bannister, Bingham, and Murrell Smith and others, H.3945 has passed the House and has made **progress in the Senate**.
- We have vetted this bill time and time again.

- The House appointed a Study Committee, the Senate appointed a Select Committee, the Senate Judiciary Committee, alone, debated the details of this bill for over eight hours.
- This is a good bill. Sure, there are things we would like to see strengthened, but with most things, we have to work together – both branches, both chambers, both sides of the aisle – to get something done.

#### Working Group Amendment

- A bipartisan group of Senators which included Senator Campsen – known as the Working Group – has created an amendment that can take this bill across the finish line.
- The Working Group Amendment creates an **independent commission for investigating ethics complaints** – an integral part of a McMaster-Medlock recommendation; **expands income disclosures to include all sources of private income for our legislators** – another McMaster-Medlock recommendation; strengthens criminal penalties for violations of the Ethics Act – another McMaster-Medlock recommendation; among other things.

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