

From: Patel, Swati

To: Chip Campsen <chip@spiritlinecruises.com>

CC: Veldran, Katherine <KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov>

Date: 3/21/2013 10:51:30 AM

Subject: RE: Ethics amendments

Attachments: SCERC and Hayes Comparison.docx
S 338 Income Disclosure Rec #2.docx
S.388 Contested Case #6.docx
S.388 Criminal Penalties #16.docx
S.388 Disclose Fees Rec #7.docx
S.388 Recusal Rec #4.docx

Chip,

Sorry for the delay. I have attached several amendments and an updated side-by-side of the SC Ethics Reform Commission (SCERC) recommendations and the Senate ethics bills. I have shaded the recommendations in the side-by-side which indicate the amendments I have drafted. This is my initial stab at drafting the amendments and Senate Judiciary staff or Legislative Council may have a better way to do it.

I have not yet drafted an amendment regarding the "enhanced" State Ethics Commission and how to devolve powers of the House and Senate Ethics Committees. A House bill (H. 3772) was introduced last week that would create a re-constituted State Ethics Commission and give it (and a Public Integrity Unit) all investigative authority and leave adjudicatory authority with the legislative committees. I am happy to discuss this issue with you further as I know it is a very important part of the ethics reform legislation that we hope will be addressed in Subcommittee.

Call me anytime if you have questions. My cell is 803-665-0259.

Swati

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel
Office of the Governor.South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201
DD 803.734.5095

From: Chip Campsen [mailto:chip@spiritlinecruises.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 3:11 PM
To: Patel, Swati
Subject: Re: Ethics amendments

Email them to me. I will review them over the break.

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE DROID

"Patel, Swati" <SwatiPatel@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

Chip,

We are hoping that another Subcommittee will be held soon regarding ethics reform legislation. In the meantime, I wanted to let you know that I have drafted amendments on behalf of the McMaster-Medlock Commission regarding their recommendations that were not included in Sen. Hayes' bill – S. 338. Katherine and I discussed these recommendations with you and Brett at our last meeting. We hope that you will be interested in proposing some or all of them to the Subcommittee.

I'm happy to email them to you for your review and to discuss them at your convenience.

Thanks,
Swati

From: Brett Hubler [<mailto:BrettHubler@scsenate.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 2:06 PM
To: Patel, Swati
Subject: RE: Ethics research

Thank you.

Brett

Brett A. Hubler, Esq.
Research Director: Fish, Game and Forestry Committee
South Carolina Senate
P.O. Box 142
Columbia, South Carolina 29202
803.212.6340
bretthubler@scsenate.gov

From: Patel, Swati [<mailto:SwatiPatel@gov.sc.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2013 1:44 PM
To: Brett Hubler
Cc: chip@spiritlinecruises.com; Veldran, Katherine
Subject: Ethics research

Brett,

Per our conversations, I have attached the research our office did regarding the make-up of state ethics commissions in other states. The information source is the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Please let me know if we can provide you and Sen. Campsen any other information, and, again, we are available to discuss any concerns or issues at your convenience. Also, I wanted to let you both know that at the Commission's request I am drafting amendments for Sen. Hayes' bill based on some of the Commission's recommendations.

Thanks,
Swati

Swati S. Patel
Chief Legal Counsel
Office of the Governor.South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201
DD 803.734.5095
Cell 803.665.0259