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Greg,

This is the joint statement the Governor talked to the Speaker about. I gave a copy of this to the Speaker before the caucus lunch and he asked I forward it to you.

Senator Courson also has the draft.

Thanks,

Ted

Draft statement:

Today, we are committing to the people of South Carolina to give meaningful Ethics Reform the opportunity to become law this year. We cannot wait until next year when the strongest ethics reform in over twenty years is within our grasp. This is not a partisan issue. This is not an executive branch versus legislative branch issue. This is an issue for the people of this State who deserve to feel confident in their public officials and the ethics process. That is why we are committed to sending Ethics Reform to conference committee before 5:00pm on June 6.