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Dear Hon. Gov. Haley;

This is my second attempt to get a response from your office. I realize you probably get thousands of emails in the course of a day.

I hope mine reaches you.

I have a son, CMSgt. Marc Dowler, who will be retiring from the USAF in less than two years, with thirty years of service.

My son would like to retire here in South Carolina, to be near me. His family recently visited me in Conway, and LOVED the area!! They even looked at homes to buy!!

The problem, and my son said that it was a BIG one, is that South Carolina taxes military retirement income. Many of his friends who have already retired refused to move here because of this.

Can there be anything done to change this? He thought there was a bill in the House to do away with this tax, but he wasn't sure.

I know that I am biased, but I think the state would more than make up for the loss of this tax by making it more affordable for MORE military retirees to retire here.

The state has everything that they want, warmer climate, recreation, and WAY LESS STRESS because of the easy-going attitude of the people who live here!!

Right now, he has retiree friends who are touting the advantages of states like Texas, and others that DO NOT tax their retirement!!

Please try to do something about doing away with this tax!

I WOULD REALLY like a response to this request!

Thank you so much for your time.

Respectfully,  
Harley Dowler