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Attached is a draft for review.

From: Danny Varat

Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 4:16 PM

To: Hayden Grooms

Subject: Letters to Editors

Dear Editor, your readers may know that Governor McMaster recently signed phase one of state pension reform in SC. This bi-partisan legislation resulted from several months of meetings by a committee comprised of Republicans and Democrats from both the House and the Senate. Senator/Representative XXX served on this joint committee, and he/she deserves thanks and credit for their hard work. They also deserve thanks and credit for their commitment not to stop here but to move on to phase two of pension reform, the transition to another form of retirement security for state employees. Phase two is intended to give state employees complete control over their retirement plans and remove the taxpayers as guarantors of those plans, just as in the public sector. Senator/Representative XXX will be an integral part of phase two, and I hope that you will give them your support to finish the job.