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Subject: RE: Vetoes

- According to a survey conducted by Caring Today Magazine, 4 out of 10 family caregivers reported increased feelings of depression since becoming a caregiver while 3 in 10 feel that their personal health is suffering.
- Multiple studies demonstrate the following:
 - Family caregivers suffer a chronic condition at more than twice the rate as non-caregivers
 - Divorce rates among parents of children with special needs are double that of parents with typical children
 - Family caregivers who provide more than 36 hours of care weekly are more likely than non-caregivers to experience symptoms of depression or anxiety.
 - Elderly spousal caregivers with their own history of illness, and who are experiencing care-related stress, have a 63 percent higher mortality rate than non-caregiving peers (Caring Today Magazine).
 - As little as 4 hours a week of respite has been shown to make a significant difference in the lives of caregivers.
 - At an average cost of \$17 per hour, the cost for a year's respite would be less than \$3600 per year per family. In contrast, a year of residential or nursing home care costs in excess of \$71,000 annually (MetLife Mature Market Institute Survey, 2011).
 - MetLife estimates the dollar amount lost to employers to be between \$17.1 and \$33.6 million per year, including the costs of absenteeism, interruptions during the workday and costs to hire new employees for those who quit due to caregiving responsibilities (MetLife Mature Market Institute, 2006; cited from Lifespan Respite Task Force, National Respite Coalition).
 - Many studies show that recipients of care need a break from their primary caregiver and that affirmation from a different person and exposure to new faces and new environments is good for them as well.

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Do you have any additional "facts" on this that you can shoot over for the Chairman to speak from?

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Kara,

Veto 47 eliminates nonrecurring funding for respite services for caregivers. The two million allows us to give a break to caregivers. There are 770,000 caregivers in SC providing 7.7billion dollars in unpaid care. As the caregivers give up this role, spend down will occur and increase the Medicaid roles. This is a cheap alternative to an expensive challenge.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Tony

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All,

Attached are the Governor's budget vetoes. Please have all comments to me by noon today.

Thanks,
Kara

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All,

The Governor will submit her budget vetoes tonight. If you have comments on any of her actions, please let me know by 12:00 tomorrow (June 12th). This is a quick turnaround but we have to prepare to override or sustain each veto by Tuesday.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thanks,

Kara

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