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Subject: Legislative Meeting
Location: Mansion
When: 3/18/2015 5:00:00 PM - 6:00:00 PM

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

TIME: 5:00-6:00 PM

EVENT: Legislative Meeting – Senate / Ethics

LOCATION: Mansion – Front Room (chairs in semi-circle)

STAFF: Swati and Veldran

POC: Katherine Veldran

TOTAL ATTENDEES:

1. Governor Haley
2. Chairman Wes Hayes
3. Senator Shane Massey
4. Senator Chip Campsen
5. Senator Brad Hutto
6. Senator Thomas McElveen
7. Senator Kevin Johnson
8. Swati Patel
9. Katherine Veldran
10. Tim Pearson?
11. James Burns?

DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: N/A

MENU:

Mini Beef Wellington

Shrimp Cocktail

Pork Spring Rolls

Pecan Pralines

Chocolate Chip Cookies

NAME PLATES: N/A

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Parking within the gates. Front Room (chairs in semi-circle)

PURPOSE:

To start a conversation about ethics reform with this group because they have all shown a clear willingness to support independent investigations OR can live with either version (Rankin or Martin) but want to pass a bill.

SUGGESTED TALKING POINTS:

We have worked with Democrats on education initiatives, restructuring initiatives and want to find common ground on ethics reform.

BACKGROUND:

They have publicly or privately indicated some level of support for ethics reform.

o Senator Hutto: Publicly has spoken in favor of true independent investigations. He has said many times that it doesn't matter who is enforcing the law so long as the law is clear. Hutto was not present during the floor vote. He voted FOR the Rankin amendment in Full Committee last week.

o Senator Johnson: He has publicly said he can live with either version of independent investigations. He said he voted for the Rankin amendment simply to move the bill forward.

o Senator McElveen: He supports both versions but voted for the Rankin amendment because he thought the bill would die. SP and KV met with him last week and he said he would vote to reconsider S. 1 but would not commit to how he would vote.

MATERIALS: SP