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Another text from the reporter -

I wasn't able to reach them (this came up later in the day, hence why I'm getting in touch with you later). I got a little more information. It's that there was some hold harmless money built in to the budget passed by the house, it just wasn't enough according to the state dept of ed.

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Begin forwarded message:

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Hi Doug,

My name is Sarah Bowman and I am a reporter with The Island Packet, a paper down in Beaufort County. I am working on a story looking at how Gov. Haley's education initiative is affecting education funding in some districts.

For example, down in Beaufort County, the school district could lose about \$700,000 in EIA funding as it is re-routed or weighted based on free and reduced-price lunch, Medicaid, students not meeting state standards, etc.

I was just hoping to get a comment about this initiative and how it is effecting funding.

- Did Gov. Haley know that the initiative would have this effect on some districts? What does she or her office think about these effects?
- I know several senators said they will try to get a "hold harmless" appropriation put in the budget for these districts, do you think that is a good idea? Why or why not?

If there is anyway I could hear back from you tonight or early tomorrow morning, I would greatly appreciate it! Thank you very much, I look forward to hearing from you!

Sarah Bowman

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