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Ms. Kerry Paul
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Dear Ms. Paul:

It is my understanding that earlier this year the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce received a 1.8 million dollar Federal grant. It is also my understanding that a portion of this grant funding is dedicated towards fraud detection measures. In addition to this information, I have learned that your Department has also met with SAS, a business analytics and intelligence company. And this Company has made a proposal or offer to create a pilot project to detect and identify fraud within the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce.

As you may know, there currently is a bill on the House floor, House Bill (H-3751), which relates to penalties that your agency can impose for fraudulent activities. This bill would require the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce put some type of fraud detection in place.

Since we both seem to be working in the same direction, I am requesting some more information on your grant funding and efforts with SAS. I do understand that the procurement guidelines must be met when developing this type of program, however, I view this matter to be of great importance to the citizens of South Carolina.

I am looking forward to your immediate response.

Sincerely,

Representative Dwight Loftis
District 19 – Greenville County

cc: The Honorable Nikki Haley
Governor of South Carolina