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To: Soura, Christian <ChristianSoura@gov.sc.gov>  
Date: 6/11/2014 4:56:46 PM  
Subject: FW: Commerce Department revised agency budget plan

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From: Hitt, Bobby [mailto:bhitt@commerce.state.sc.us]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 4:46 PM  
To: Pitts, Ted  
Subject: Re: Commerce Department revised agency budget plan

It was at request of W&M. We had nothing as CS noted, they asked us what we wanted to do, I told them \$650 was too much, and they suggested \$400. That's when it was added. it did not come up in the senate. We didn't ask for CDCs either!

Bobby Hitt  
Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 11, 2014, at 4:37 PM, "Pitts, Ted" <TedPitts@gov.sc.gov> wrote:

Bobby,

See email traffic below.

Your agency changed its request later to include \$400k for New Carolina but didn't let us know.

Ted

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From: Soura, Christian  
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 4:02 PM  
To: Pitts, Ted  
Subject: RE: Commerce Department revised agency budget plan

New Carolina got \$650,000 in FY 2013-14 and Commerce (eventually) asked for \$400,000 in FY 2014-15. Not a vote of confidence. Certainly not a request for another \$100,000 above and beyond the \$650,000.

The Executive Budget recommended \$0, based in substantial part on the fact that – at the time – Commerce wasn't requesting anything for New Carolina at all. You see, that link doesn't take you to what the Department of Commerce originally requested. The link takes you to an undated revision that they submitted sometime later (I'd have to call the Budget Office to find out when).

We wrote the budget based upon the request we had from Commerce at the time (the one on my desk is dated October 22<sup>nd</sup>) that requested nothing for New Carolina. Whenever the revised submission was filed, nobody sent it to me, and nobody asked us to make any changes accordingly.

CLS

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From: Pitts, Ted  
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 3:50 PM  
To: Soura, Christian  
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From: Tony Denny [mailto:tony@tonydenny.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 11, 2014 3:25 PM  
To: Pitts, Ted  
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The Council on Competitiveness in the Commerce request is on page 26. B-9

See the note below.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Kyle Michel <[kmichel@michellawfirm.com](mailto:kmichel@michellawfirm.com)>  
**Date:** June 11, 2014 at 12:53:40 PM GMT-5  
**To:** Tony Denny <[tony@tonydenny.com](mailto:tony@tonydenny.com)>  
**Subject: Commerce Department revised agency budget plan**

Tony:

Commerce put the request for Council on Competitiveness in its revised budget plan in late November or early December. It is on the Office of State Budget website under "current budget plans"

Commerce's current request is at the link. Council on Competitiveness starts on page B-9 for \$400,000 (Senate added to it).

[http://www.budget.sc.gov/webfiles/OSB/budget%20plans/P32\\_FY\\_2014-15\\_REV.pdf](http://www.budget.sc.gov/webfiles/OSB/budget%20plans/P32_FY_2014-15_REV.pdf)

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