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Austin, Have you done anything with this?

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Austin,

Beth told me that you would be a good person to talk to regarding DSS and the Family Court. I have some friends who have been fostering a child for over 4 years and the things that they tell me make me sick to my stomach. I can't even count how many times they have had a hearing cancelled or continued the day of the hearing. It embarrasses me as an officer of the court and it sickens me as a parent. I can't even begin to do their story justice so I won't even try. The sad thing is that I know their story is not unique.

I would appreciate it if you could put them in touch with Governor Haley so that she can hear first hand how children are being treated by this broken system.

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