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Update:

S.0853 (emergency anaphylaxis treatment)

- From Katie Phillips—the committee is currently working on an amendment that would make the bill permissive, versus its current form which is a mandate. DHEC would be fine with the amended version. Katie is going to send over the amendment tomorrow for our review. (I have also reached out to David Wilson, per Katie's suggestion, regarding the coal ash bill that is on the House Calendar. When I receive a response, I will let y'all know).

S.0973 (insurance premium tax revenue diversion to Forestry)

- Josh and I provided information (veto message, current revenue for fire trucks/dozers at Forestry, cost of fire trucks/dozers at Forestry) to Swati on this today so that she could touch base with Lucas. If anyone else would like that information, we can circulate.

On all the licensing bills (mobile barbershops, hearing aids, telemedicine, eye-care, auxiliary dentists), I have received some feedback from Richele, but I had follow up questions for her. Nothing I have received thus far makes me think we should change our opposition to support. Once I receive the follow ups, I will circulate. Mobile barbershops did receive second reading today in the House with the vote split mostly along party lines.

Everyone please have a pleasant evening.

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From: Glaccum, David  
Sent: Tuesday, February 09, 2016 9:29 AM  
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Update:

S.0589 (music therapy)

- From Christian—If music therapy is medically necessary for an individual, a physician or licensed professional of the healing arts may bill for reimbursement through SC Medicaid. Further, Christian wrote that he has “yet to see a peer-reviewed, double-blind study that show music therapy is effective.”
- From Ray Farmer—not aware of any health insurer providing coverage for music therapy, and in fact many specifically exclude it (while Director Farmer did not say this, I assume private insurers don't cover it because, as Christian wrote, there is no good science supporting this type of therapy).

Therefore, I think our position should remain opposed to this legislation.

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From: Glaccum, David  
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Updates:

- 1) S.0589—Emailed both Christian and Ray Farmer requesting information regarding insurance/Medicaid coverage for music therapy. Will follow up once I receive a response.
- 2) S.0853—Emailed and called Katie Phillips at DHEC requesting they provide us with any concerns they have with the legislation as well as what their current training/certification practice is related to insect stings and epipens. Will follow up once I receive a response.
- 3) S.0868—Haley and I spoke with Sen. Young and the issue with the competing eminent domain bills is already settled. Need to watch the hearing this week just to make sure the good language passes out in place of the bad.
- 4) H.3200—Recommended amendment to the higher ed IP bill attached.
- 5) H.4056—Emailed Wendy at DOT requesting their input on the DOT contractor legislation. Will follow up once I receive a response.

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From: Veldran, Katherine

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Attached are the follow ups from today's bills meeting.

Please keep us posted with updates.

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