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Forum Breaking News

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Dear Friends,

GREAT NEWS! Earlier this week, we sent out a call to action...and boy, did you answer.

I'm pleased to announce that with your support, late yesterday afternoon [Read to Succeed](#) (S.516) passed both the House and Senate and is now headed to the Governor's desk.

We're also thrilled that with the shot clock winding down, a bill to enhance accountability and excellence in our growing charter school movement (H.3853) passed in the nick of time. We appreciate Senator Harvey Peeler, House Education Chairman Phil Owens, Representative Andy Patrick and the many others who worked so hard to get these bills across the finish line.

While there is always more work to do, these are big victories for personalized, accountable education in South Carolina. And we're excited to work with you to build on this foundation in years to come.

Thank you for standing with us in the fight. Together, we're making a real difference for South Carolina's future.

Gratefully Yours,

Ellen Weaver
President & CEO
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P.S. - **Will you support our work today?** Your generous contribution in any amount will help the Forum keep cultivating wins for common sense, conservative policy in the Palmetto State!

WHY "READ TO SUCCEED?"

- Children who are not reading proficiently in 3rd grade are 4 times more likely to not graduate high school.
- Below basic readers are almost 6 times more likely than proficient readers to not finish high school on time.
- Poor, Black, and Hispanic students who are struggling readers are about 8 times more likely than proficient readers to drop out of high school.
- 51% of low income SC 4th grade students and 40% of all SC 4th grade students cannot read at even a basic level.

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