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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Washington Post: At least 32 governors have weighed in on the border crisis. Here's what each has said.
<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/govbeat/wp/2014/07/23/at-least-32-governors-have-weighed-in-on-the-border-crisis-heres-what-each-has-said/>

Niraj Chokshi

More than half the nation's governors have weighed in with mixed emotion on the brewing crisis over unaccompanied and undocumented immigrant children, most of them from Central America.

Note: In a letter last week to Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson, Gov. Nikki R. Haley (R) voiced her concern about what she called the "failure of the federal government" to secure the border. She also thanked him for telling her that the federal government has not and has no plans to house undocumented children in her state.

The State: Interim sheriff appointed for Fairfield County, Chief Deputy announces intention to run for election

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/07/23/3577479/fairfield-county-sheriff-herman.html#storylink=cpy>

Harrison Cahill

Gov. Nikki Haley has appointed Dunstan C. Padgett to be the interim sheriff for Fairfield County in the wake of Herman Young's resignation Tuesday, citing health concerns as the reason. Padgett, 48, of Winnsboro, was hired as a deputy sheriff on August 29, 1988 and has served with the department his entire law enforcement career.

WIS: Haley appoints new sheriff for Fairfield County

<http://www.wistv.com/story/26091852/haley-appoints-new-sheriff-for-fairfield-county>

Jeremy Turnage

Calling her choice "fit and proper," Gov. Nikki Haley has quickly found a replacement for departing Fairfield County Sheriff Herman Young. An executive order signed by the governor on Wednesday has appointed sheriff's Capt. Dunstan C. Padgett of Winnsboro, to become the new sheriff until a special election is held to replace Young.

Note: Haley issued a statement after Young's resignation, calling him an "amazing public servant."

"We are proud to celebrate his wonderful years of service," said Haley. "He is moving on from this post the same way he led the community of Fairfield County, with strength and grace. Michael and I, along with everyone in South Carolina, owe him a debt of gratitude."

WACH: Haley appoints acting sheriff for Fairfield County

<http://www.wach.com/news/story.aspx?id=1073845#.U9AXBvldVHV>

Governor Nikki Haley has appointed an acting sheriff for Fairfield County. Haley announced Wednesday Dunstan Padgett will serve as acting sheriff until a special election held. Tuesday, longtime Fairfield County Sheriff Herman Young announced his resignation. According to Fairfield County administrators, recent medical concerns have caused Sheriff Young to reassess his personal and professional life.

Associated Press: Mike Campbell appointed to workers' comp panel

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=NgRQAf4a

Gov. Nikki Haley has appointed Mike Campbell to serve on the South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission. The Greenville News reported (<http://grnol.co/1neHRez>) Wednesday that Haley cited Campbell's business experience and community involvement in the appointment. Campbell is a business development consultant and is the son of the late Gov. Carroll Campbell.

Daniel Island News: Governor dissolves DI Annex Commission

http://www.thedanielislandnews.com/artman2/publish/Top_Stories_69/Governor_dissolves_DI_Annex_Commission.php

Elizabeth Bush

The Daniel Island Annexation Commission has officially been dissolved by Governor Nikki Haley. And now state legislators have been given the task of updating the antiquated laws that prevented the group from completing its work in a cost effective manner.

Note: "I accept the Commission's conclusion that it is unable to fulfill its statutorily mandated duties," wrote Haley in her letter dated May 28, 2014. "...And accordingly, I must dissolve the Commission."

Library Journal: SC Libraries Seek To Override Trespass Bill Veto

<http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2014/07/legislation/sc-libraries-seek-to-override-trespass-bill-veto/>

Bob Warburton

South Carolina's public library directors, confident they have the necessary votes in the state legislature locked up, plan to press ahead with efforts to see a library trespass bill adopted into law, even after a recent veto by Gov. Nikki Haley scuttled their hopes, at least temporarily.

Note: Haley, a Republican, urged county governments to adopt local library trespass ordinances as they saw fit. "Rather than a one-size-fits-all solution at the state level, each county government can and should tailor solutions to the particular problems faced by public libraries in their community."

Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

Greenville News: Ex-Im Bank helps state's economy

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/opinion/editorials/2014/07/23/editorial-ex-bank-helps-states-economy/13055123/>

Editorial

If there is any state in the nation whose congressional delegation should universally support reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank, it is South Carolina. This state relies heavily on international trade, and can point to major employers that have relied on the Ex-Im Bank, as it is known, to bring high-paying jobs here that help support a growing manufacturing economy.

DSS Senate Hearing News:

Post and Courier: DSS Deputy: Agency needs 202 additional workers to reach ideal caseload numbers

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140723/PC1603/140729721/1177/dss-deputy-agency-needs-202-additional-workers-to-reach-ideal-caseload-numbers>

Cynthia Roldan

For the Department of Social Services to reach ideal caseload numbers, the agency would have to hire 202 staffers, its deputy director said Wednesday. Jessica Hanak-Coulter, DSS deputy director of human services, testified before the Senate's DSS Oversight Subcommittee on Wednesday, as did a parent of six adopted children and the president-elect of the South Carolina chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

Greenville News: DSS says it needs 202 workers to manage cases

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2014/07/23/dss-says-needs-workers-manage-cases/13046455/>

Tim Smith

The state Department of Social Services, which came under political fire this year for its handling of child abuse and neglect cases, says it needs 202 additional staff. That number includes 109 caseworkers, 79 supervisors and 14 staff for second-shift work, Jessica Hanak-Coulter, deputy director of the agency, told a Senate panel today.

The State: DSS: state needs 200 more child-welfare workers

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/07/23/3579389/dss-state-needs-200-more-child.html?sp=/99/205/&ihp=1>

Jamie Self

The state needs to hire about 200 new child-welfare workers – a 25 percent increase – to reduce caseloads that agency leaders, lawmakers and child-welfare advocates say are far too high to ensure children are being protected.

S.C. Federal Delegation News:

The State: Congressman Clyburn announces Medicaid Caucus

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/07/23/3579731/congressman-clyburn-announces.html?sp=/99/132/312/169/>
Jamie Self

Clyburn, a Columbia Democrat and U.S. House assistant Democratic leader, joined caucus co-chairs U.S. Reps. Rep. Hank Johnson, D-Ga., and G. K. Butterfield, D-N.C., for a news conference, criticizing South Carolina for refusing to accept Medicaid expansion despite studies showing its benefits to the state.

South Carolina News:

Associated Press: SC justices order new sentencing hearing for death row inmate

<http://www.heraldonline.com/2014/07/23/6165955/sc-justices-order-new-sentencing.html>

The state Supreme Court on Wednesday ordered a new sentencing hearing for a man on South Carolina's death row for killing the mother of his child, ruling that his trial attorneys should have presented more evidence about his background and mental health history.

Post and Courier: Judge in Episcopal schism trial: It's a civil matter

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140723/PC16/140729710/1382&source=spreed>

Jennifer Berry Hawes

The judge presiding over the local Episcopal schism trial said Wednesday that she considers the case a matter of neutral, secular state laws and not about a hierarchical church's authority, a potential blow to The Episcopal Church's argument that it has the religious freedom to govern its own dioceses.

Post and Courier: Death row inmate in Dorchester County murder to get new sentencing hearing

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140723/PC16/140729756/1382&source=spreed>

Natalie Caula Hauff

A death row inmate who was convicted of murder for killing his girlfriend in the 1990s in Dorchester County will get a new sentencing hearing, according to a South Carolina Supreme Court ruling released Wednesday.

Post and Courier: Boeing's unfinished work drops 30 percent in second quarter

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140723/PC05/140729760/1010&source=spreed>

Warren Wise

The amount of unfinished work on the Boeing 787 declined significantly during the second quarter of 2014, a company official said Wednesday during the company's earnings report. "Traveled work has declined by 30 percent since this time last quarter," Boeing's Chief Financial Officer Greg Smith said.

Local News:

Greenville News: Sealed Air to relocate some Upstate jobs

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/money/business/2014/07/23/sealed-air-relocate-greenville-duncan-jobs/13045343/>

David Dykes

Sealed Air Corp. considered putting a new headquarters in Greenville, and spending \$58 million on a new office building along Interstate 85, before announcing Wednesday that it had picked Charlotte instead, Greenville County officials said.

Greenville News: Greenville has a new police chief

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/2014/07/23/city-greenville-announce-new-police-chief/13039053/>

Lyn Riddle

The city of Greenville has a new police chief. It's Kenneth Miller, who earlier this year announced his upcoming retirement from the Greensboro (N.C.) Police Department.

National News:

New York Times: President Obama's Fundraising Scandal

http://takingnote.blogs.nytimes.com/2014/07/23/president-obamas-fundraising-scandal/?_php=true&_type=blogs&_r=0

David Firestone

In exchange for a check of up to \$32,400, Hollywood Democrats will be able to hear President Obama speak later today at the Los Angeles home of Shonda Rhimes, the producer of the ABC show "Scandal." For Republicans, that constitutes an actual scandal. How dare he raise money instead of projecting American strength to Vladimir Putin?

Washington Post: House Republicans unveil plan to deal with border crisis

http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/post-politics/wp/2014/07/23/house-republicans-unveil-plan-to-deal-with-border-crisis/?Post+generic=%3Ftid%3Dsm_twitter_washingtonpost

Robert Costa, Ed O'Keefe

House Republicans began coalescing Wednesday around a new set of proposals to address the influx of illegal immigrants crossing the U.S.-Mexico border that mandate deploying National Guard troops and requiring the Obama administration to more quickly process and deport young children and families who have entered the country in recent months.

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