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### Governor Nikki Haley News:

**WMBF:** Three-day summit to discuss Bike Fest continues

<http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/26586765/a-three-day-long-summit-to-discuss-bikefest-starts-today>

Monday is the second of the three-day summit in Myrtle Beach where Bike Fest will be the main topic of conversation. The summit will take place at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center where Governor Nikki Haley and delegates from seven major police departments will gather solutions for the Memorial Day weekend Violence.

### 2014 Campaign Cycle News:

**Associated Press:** Dubious claims raised in SC governor's race

[http://m.apnews.com/ap/db\\_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=BchLXufN](http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=BchLXufN)

Seanna Adcox

As Election Day draws near and political rhetoric heats up, voters face a challenge determining what's true and what's distorted. Within just the past few days, the state GOP selectively pointed to passages in Sen. Vincent Sheheen's book to claim the Democratic nominee for governor is hiding a liberal tax-increase agenda, while Sheheen debuted an ad claiming Gov. Nikki Haley vetoed 4-year-old kindergarten.

### Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

**Post and Courier:** A good option for CSOL

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140922/PC1002/140929876>

Editorial

The impressive lineup of lawyers who have agreed to govern the Charleston School of Law, should it adopt non-profit status, are well aware that they might never have that opportunity. But the fact that they are prepared to take on the task - and certainly have the breadth of experience to handle the task well - can be seen as a bonus for CSOL, which would be better off as a non-profit institution.

**Island Packet:** SC should put teeth in residency requirement

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/09/21/3326680/sc-should-put-teeth-in-residency.html?sp=/99/342/>

Editorial

The S.C. Department of Motor Vehicles does it when issuing driver's licenses. The state's colleges and universities do it when figuring out whether to charge students in-state or out-of-state tuition. And school districts figure it out when assigning students to schools. But somehow, state government just won't get on board.

### S.C. Agency News:

**Greenville News:** School absence policies examined in wake of child deaths

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/education/2014/09/22/school-absence-policies-examined-wake-child-deaths/16036759/>

Tim Smith

According to the State Department of Education, there is no uniform requirement on when and how schools should notify parents of an absent student. Laura Hudson, executive director of the South Carolina Crime Victims Council, said while she believes the Lexington County school did what it could to contact Jones, all schools should follow a uniform procedure.

### South Carolina News:

**Post and Courier:** S.C. Rep. Merrill says much at stake for Lowcountry in speaker's race

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140922/PC1603/140929914>

Jeremy Borden

In the wake of the suspension of House Speaker Bobby Harrell, who has stepped aside amid nine criminal charges alleging misuse of campaign dollars, state representatives have been consumed by a constant back and forth about who the next speaker should be. It's one of the state's most powerful positions and is selected by a majority vote of House members.

**Greenville News:** STEM jobs wide open for women

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/news/education/2014/09/21/stem-jobs-wide-open-women/16002423/>

Nathaniel Cary

Glass ceilings are made to be broken, and right now is the time for women to crash through the cultural barriers have kept them out of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics fields in the past, experts say. With high-paying jobs available in the Upstate's budding automotive sector, universities and industry are clamoring for women to add diversity to technology and engineering fields that are dominated by men.

**Post and Courier:** S.C. among the worst for women in the workforce

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140922/PC1603/140929921>

Cynthia Roldan

A prevailing attitude in the South about women playing more traditional roles likely is one of many contributing factors that have placed the Palmetto State among the worst for women's progress in the workforce, according to a new study.

**Aiken Standard:** Review board to assess SRS waste disposal

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20140922/AIK0101/140929906/1004/review-board-to-assess-srs-waste-disposal>

Derrek Asberry

The U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board issued a press release Sept. 12 stating several topics will be discussed including the storage and processing of spent fuel, alternatives for dry storage, and issues related to the aging of the facilities involved in these operations.

**Aiken Standard:** SRR initiates program to hire veterans

<http://www.aikenstandard.com/article/20140921/AIK0101/140929885/1004>

Acknowledging the value that many veterans have obtained through their service to the country, the contractor, or SRR, is providing qualifying veterans part-time paid developmental jobs in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics, or STEM.

**Post and Courier:** Healthy school snacks law taking bite out fundraisers

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20140922/PC16/140929924>

Brenda Rindge

A new rule limiting kids to healthy snacks during the school day is credited with helping reduce childhood obesity, but could hurt fundraising by school groups that rely on sales of baked goods, popcorn and candy.

**The State:** Bailey Bill tax incentive 'helps make the math work' for historic restoration projects

[http://www.thestate.com/2014/09/21/3696951\\_bailey-bill-tax-incentive-helps.html?rh=1#storylink=cpy](http://www.thestate.com/2014/09/21/3696951_bailey-bill-tax-incentive-helps.html?rh=1#storylink=cpy)

Sarah Ellis

Statler is one of the increasing number of homeowners seeking city and county tax breaks under Bailey Bill ordinances, which are among a number of local, state and federal tax incentives aimed at encouraging preservation, restoration and adaptive reuse in a city where old buildings are the foundation of the city's structural character.

## **Local News:**

**The State:** Lexington County adding 100 poll workers for Nov. 4 ballot

<http://www.thestate.com/2014/09/21/3696749/lexington-county-adding-100-poll.html>

Tim Flach

Lexington County election officials are adding 100 poll workers to cope with long lines and a slow pace



expected at the Nov. 4 ballot. The extra staff will focus on reducing delays from a lengthy sales tax proposal and new voter-identification requirements, county election director Dean Crepes said.

**Greenville News:** New Greenville jobs recruiter won't take just any deal

<http://www.greenvilleonline.com/story/money/business/being-my-own-boss/2014/09/21/new-jobs-recruiter-take-just-deal/16002439/>

Rudolph Bell

There's a new standard operating procedure at the Greenville Area Development Corp., Greenville County's economic development organization. Any company that wants to trade jobs for perks from the county will have its proposal vetted by software that was developed by Mark Farris, GADC's new president.

**Island Packet:** State accommodations-tax corrections shift more money toward Hilton Head

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/09/21/3327288/state-accommodations-tax-corrections.html?sp=/99/257/266/>

Zach Murdock

Corrections to the way the state distributes accommodations taxes in Beaufort County have netted the Town of Hilton Head Island about \$500,000 in additional funding this year. But that money is not a windfall; it's funding the town should have received all along, town finance director Susan Simmons contends.

**Spartanburg Herald Journal:** Spartanburg council to hear update on police body cameras

<http://www.goupstate.com/article/20140921/ARTICLES/140929969/1083/ARTICLES?Title=Spartanburg-council-to-hear-update-on-police-body-cameras>

The Spartanburg Police Department has purchased 20 body cameras to allow officers to record audio and video of police incidents. On Monday, Police Maj. Steve Lamb will provide Spartanburg City Council with an update on the camera system and three years of data storage that have been purchased for \$65,916 (\$27,407 in grant funds, \$21,061 in general funds, \$17,448 in forfeited drug funds).

**Island Packet:** As Beaufort County's rainfall rises, Edisto basin officially in drought status

<http://www.islandpacket.com/2014/09/21/3327316/as-beaufort-countys-rainfall-rises.html?sp=/99/257/266/#storylink=cpy>

Matt McNab

On Tuesday, the S.C. Drought Response Committee declared nine counties -- Edgefield, Aiken, Lexington, Barnwell, Allendale, Bamberg, Orangeburg, Hampton and Colleton -- to be in an incipient drought, the first of four levels in the state system. The Edisto and Salkehatchie rivers have been running low since early summer, with occasional rebounds after scattered thunderstorms.

## **National News:**

**USA Today:** Don't expect 'perfection' on health care site

[http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2014/09/21/healthcaregov-glitches-fixes-open-enrollment/15714907/?utm\\_source=feedblitz&utm\\_medium=FeedBlitzRss&utm\\_campaign=usatoday-newstopstories](http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2014/09/21/healthcaregov-glitches-fixes-open-enrollment/15714907/?utm_source=feedblitz&utm_medium=FeedBlitzRss&utm_campaign=usatoday-newstopstories)

Jayne O'Donnell

Much of the Obama administration's success in enrolling 8.1 million people in health insurance over the past year was overshadowed by the momentous problems with HealthCare.gov and several state exchanges. As administration officials prepare to test the site with insurers Oct. 7, they're trying to manage expectations while portraying some confidence.

**Washington Post:** The 12 governors' races you need to watch this fall

[http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/the-12-governors-races-most-likely-to-produce-a-switch-in-party-control/2014/09/21/a2a279fc-419a-11e4-b437-1a7368204804\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/the-12-governors-races-most-likely-to-produce-a-switch-in-party-control/2014/09/21/a2a279fc-419a-11e4-b437-1a7368204804_story.html)

Chris Cillizza, Aaron Blake, Sean Sullivan

What's fascinating about the list of governors who won't, or might not, hold on to their jobs in November is how many of them sit in states where victory should amount to a layup. Democratic incumbents in Connecticut and Illinois face serious threats.

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