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I did a quick view of everything because I know you are under a tight time constraint. Did you amend Proviso 1.3. to include the new EFA weights? I wasn't sure. If not, you probably need to do that and put in the proviso the total updated WPU count for the state. To help staff in the explanation, you might also want to add that you used the current year's most available student data to project the weights. On the explanation of EFA and the new funding model, I'd suggest a slight change in one phrase. See below "At \$2,150, only 6 districts would be negatively impacted with the weighting system." I would also point out in the narrative where you talk about the reading coaches that this is in addition to lottery funds of \$26,291,798 and \$2,000,000 that are going to school districts. Some are questioning whether you just diverted those funds. Looks great! if you have questions, I'm here.

Melanie _____ From: Soura, Christian Sent: Sunday, January 12, 2014 3:50 PM To: Barton, Melanie Subject: Education Pages OK, I think you've seen much of the narrative before. Don't think I'll have time between now and tomorrow morning to really expand on it, with everything else that's due. There are 3 attachments - the K-12 theme from the front of the book, the departmental pages for SCDE, EIA, Lottery, and EOC (which are conveniently already in order), and then the draft Capital Reserve Fund bill, since there's enabling language in there that matters. If you have suggestions or see mistakes, please let me know... ideally sometime tonight... (sorry). Thanks. CLS Christian L. Soura Deputy Chief of Staff (803) 543-0792 ChristianSoura@gov.sc.gov