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Asked if she wanted to chat with you again.

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Hi Doug

Thanks for helping me out yesterday. Now that I've read the plan, I have a few more questions.

1. It says she supports 3rd-grade retention for students who can't read. Is she proposing to start this immediately, or to begin retention when students who will be in kindergarten next year are in third grade (ie, when they will have had the improved reading education from the start)?
2. It mentions increasing the contributions to scholarship-granting organizations. Can you tell me how that would work?
3. It says charters that receive the lowest performance rating three years in a row must be closed. To save me from having to look this up: Is this current law, or is she proposing to add that to current law, and if the latter, what is current law on that point?

And finally, was there anything in today's news coverage (ours or AP's, or I suppose anyone else's, though I didn't see any other) that you consider incorrect? If so, I'd like to have that in mind as I continue to assess this.

Thanks again
Cindi

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