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RE: Inmate Release Information

Dear Directors and Presidents:

The House Legislative Oversight Committee's Department of Corrections ad hoc subcommittee is currently performing an oversight study of the Department of Corrections (SCDC). The purpose of legislative oversight is to determine if agency laws and programs are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of the General Assembly and whether or not they should be continued, curtailed, or even eliminated. Any House Member may file legislation to implement the Committee's recommendations.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, or a representative from your organization, to testify and/or answer any questions members may have at the ad hoc subcommittee's January 7, 2019, meeting. During the meeting, we plan to briefly discuss the following relating to information necessary to ensure, to the greatest extent possible, inmates are released from incarceration on the correct dates:

- 1. List of applicable stakeholders;
- 2. Timeline for applicable stakeholders to meet discuss issues and outline specific goals;
- 3. Timeline for applicable stakeholders to meet and agree on steps to implement resolution measures; and
- 4. Timeline for implementation of resolution measures.

If you or someone from your organization is available to attend the meeting, please let us know via email (<u>HCommLegOv@schouse.gov</u>) before Wednesday, December 18, 2019. Information about providing testimony to the ad hoc subcommittee is available <u>here</u>.

Additionally, the ad hoc subcommittee welcomes any other input or feedback your office would like to provide.

Thank you and your team for your service to the citizens of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

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Edward R. Tallon Sr. Subcommittee Chair

cc: The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton Department of Corrections Ad Hoc Subcommittee S.C. Department of Corrections