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### VIA EMAIL

Tonnya K. Kohn, Director  
South Carolina Court Administration  
1220 Senate Street, Suite 200  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201-3739

RE: Sentencing Sheets

Dear Director Kohn:

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 seek input from your office about sentencing sheets. Input from your office on these questions is appreciated.

### ***Sentencing Sheets and Database***

1. Please explain court administration's involvement, if any, with sentencing sheets (e.g., creating format, providing data to complete sheets, utilizing data from sheets, etc.).
2. If known, when is the last time sentencing sheets or the process of completing these sheets, were updated?

3. Please list the governmental agencies from which court administration obtains data which court administration enters into its database and for each, the data the agency provides.
4. Please list the governmental agencies, of which court administration is aware, that utilize data in court administration's database on a regular basis and for each, the data the agency utilizes.
5. Please list which aspects of court administration's database it believes need updating, and for each aspect, the entities that utilize the information, how that aspect will be updated, and when that aspect will be updated.

If your office would like to provide input, please do so before Monday, April 29, 2019. Additionally, the 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Edward R. Tallon Sr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Edward R. Tallon Sr.  
Subcommittee Chair

cc: The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton  
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