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VIA EMAIL

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RE: Calculation of Time Served

Dear Attorney General Wilson:

The House Legislative Oversight Committee's Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee is currently performing an oversight study of the S.C. Department of Probation, Parole, and Pardon Services (PPP). 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 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 the calculation of time served by offenders for purposes of legal proceedings.

Offender Time Served

1. Please explain the entities upon whom the Attorney General's Office relies when handling matters related to calculation of time served by an offender (e.g., Section 17-27-20, etc.).
2. What information does the Attorney General's Office receive from those entities?
3. What type of evidence does the party claiming an incorrect calculation of time served typically present?

If your office would like to provide input, please do so before Monday, September 27, 2021. 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 "Chris Wooten", is placed over a light blue rectangular background.

Chris Wooten
Subcommittee Chair

cc: The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton
Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Subcommittee