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VIA EMAIL

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RE: Electronic transfer of information and training for supervisors

Dear Chief Keel:

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 potential for electronic transfer of information to PPP.

Chief Keel

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Electronic Transfer of Criminal History

1. Would the agency oppose working with PPP to determine a way to efficiently transfer individual criminal history to PPP for use in their duties of supervising individuals under their jurisdiction and compiling information for parole hearings to avoid the necessity of PPP personnel manually entering the data into their databases. If yes, please explain why.

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 grid background.

Chris Wooten
Subcommittee Chair

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