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Ms. Mary Poole, State Director  
South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs  
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Dear Director Poole:

On behalf of the Legislative Oversight Committee, thank you, and your staff for your continued cooperation with the legislative oversight process. During the October 23, 2018, meeting, the Committee approved the following recommendation that “[t]he State Director should report to the Committee in six months regarding changes implemented as a result of the Legislative Oversight process and the agency’s internal improvement processes.” For your reference, the recommendations are included in the study report, finalized on November 2, 2018, and located at [https://www.scstatehouse.gov/CommitteeInfo/HouseLegislativeOversightCommittee/AgencyWebpages/DisabilitiesandSpecialNeeds/Full%20Committee%20Study\\_DDSN-0001.PDF](https://www.scstatehouse.gov/CommitteeInfo/HouseLegislativeOversightCommittee/AgencyWebpages/DisabilitiesandSpecialNeeds/Full%20Committee%20Study_DDSN-0001.PDF).

Please provide an update on the agency’s implementation of recommendations by May 16, 2019. If additional time is needed to respond, please contact Committee staff. Thank you for your service to the youth of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wm. Weston J. Newton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wm. Weston J. Newton  
Committee Chair