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2006-2007 OBJECTIVES

By 2010 South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.



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CONTINUE THE IMPLEMENTATION of the Education Accountability Act of 1998 and fulfill other responsibilities assigned by the General Assembly, including those within the Teacher Quality Act, the Parental Involvement in Their Children's Education Act, the Education and Economic Development Act and the early childhood development pilot program proviso and those made by special requests.

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PROVIDE ANALYSES AND RECOMMENDATIONS to achieve the 2010 goal by increasing the return on investment in education through the following:

- A. Defining the role of district administration and identifying models that realize maximum effectiveness and efficiency;
- B. Defining a teacher compensation structure that recognizes differences in teacher qualifications, responsibilities and results;
- C. Identifying and defining costs of educating successful students who historically have underachieved (e.g., students from poverty, English language learners, minority students, struggling or non-readers, students with disabilities and students whose parents may not have completed high school;) and
- D. Advocating for public choice innovation schools.

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INCREASE PARTNERSHIPS AMONG those who invest in South Carolina's schools by:

- A. Continuing to receive broad input and continuing to communicate and implement the Common Ground commitment;
- B. Convening informal meetings among the Governor, the State Superintendent of Education, the leadership of the legislative education committees, the State Board of Education, the Commission on Higher Education, the South Carolina Technical College System and First Steps;
- C. Continuing to employ formal and informal advisory groups representing parents, educators and business and civic leaders; and
- D. Collaborating with informal education providers to encourage extended learning programs sponsored by civic, community and faith-based groups.

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INCREASE THE IMPACT OF COMMUNICATIONS to focus attention on achievement of the 2010 goal and heighten awareness of the value of educational achievement for all South Carolinians.

