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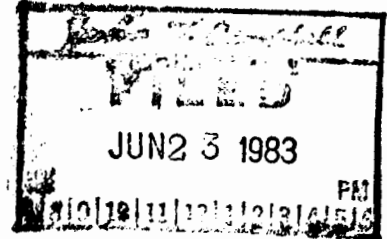
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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 83-29

WHEREAS, the Governor and General Assembly find that some progress has been made in funding public education in South Carolina, and a solid foundation laid for improved quality in elementary and secondary programs; and

WHEREAS, it is vital for our economic well-being and future growth that South Carolina undertake a critical evaluation of the funding mechanism used to finance public education, and we develop a comprehensive program to achieve quality and excellence in our public schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, I do hereby create the Committee on Financing Excellence in Public Education. This Committee shall include educators, legislators and businessmen appointed by the Governor and State Superintendent of Education.

This Committee shall have two primary functions: (1) It shall undertake a critical evaluation of the Education Finance Act and its effectiveness. Further, it shall evaluate the need and method for funding a program of excellence for public education; (2) The Committee shall define and propose a program designed to achieve excellence in our public schools. It shall consider the State Department of Education's "Move to Quality" as a blueprint for such a program. The Committee shall further provide definition and refinement to this program, setting priorities and a schedule for implementing its recommendations.

The Committee should determine cost estimates for each proposal or change recommended.

The Governor shall appoint seven (7) members of the Committee and the Chairman. The State Superintendent shall appoint (7) seven members and the Vice-Chairman. The Governor shall also appoint four (4) members of the House and four (4) members of the Senate.

The Governor and State Superintendent of Education shall designate appropriate staff to coordinate and assist with the activities of the Committee.

The Committee shall forward its preliminary report to the Governor and State Superintendent no later than October 15, 1983.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina, at Columbia, South Carolina, this 20th day of June, 1983.


RICHARD W. RILEY
Governor

ATTEST:

JOHN T. CAMPBELL
Secretary of State