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The State Senate

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate Education Committee Members
Senator Wilkinson, 50th, Vice Chairman
Senator Powell-Sims, 12th, Secretary
Senator Burke, 11th
Senator Fort, 39th
Senator Hufstetler, 52nd
Senator James, 35th
Senator Millar, 40th
Senator Miller, 49th
Senator Stone, 23rd
Senator Tate, 38th

FROM: Senator Tippins, 37th, Chairman

SUBJECT: Education and Youth Committee Notice

DATE: Thursday, February 20, 2014

The Senate Education Committee will meet on **Thursday, February 20, 2014** at 1:00 p.m. in **Room 307 CLOB.**

AGENDA:

- **Bill Hearings:**
 - **SB 167 SUB – Ligon, 3rd** – Common Core
 - **SB 384 – Millar, 40th** – It is important that our children have a clear understanding of the founding philosophy and principles of our government. This bill allows for a new code section requiring the local boards of education, beginning in the 2014-2015 school year, to recommend high school students grades ninth through twelfth to participate in a semester course of study in America's founding philosophy and founding principles. No student shall be eligible to receive a diploma if they have not passed this course. The Department of Education and local boards of education will be responsible for providing content for this course and training teachers to ensure that the intent and provisions of

this Code section are implemented. A biennial report will be submitted by the Department of Education no later than October 15th of each odd-numbered year to the House Committee on Education and the Senate Education and Youth Committee.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CC:

Office of Lieutenant Governor
Office of the President Pro Tempore
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