

**Senate Select Committee on K-12 Funding  
January 5, 2011**

In response to a request by the chairman of the Senate Select Committee on K-12 Funding, the staff of the Education Oversight Committee (EOC) prepared the following analysis that: (1) determines the existing funding for the South Carolina Public Charter School District (SCPCSD); (2) applies the EOC funding model weights to the SCPCSD to project a revised weighted pupil unit count; and (3) proposes options for funding the SCPCSD. The EOC staff worked with the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) and the SCPCSD to gather data used in the analysis.

In the current Fiscal Year, 2010-11, SCPCSD is projected to receive \$31.7 million in state funding. (Table 1) Consistent with the EOC funding model and the deliberations of the Senate Select Committee, of the \$31.7 million, approximately \$31.4 million would be included in any revised funding model. Excluded are allocations for National Board supplements, refurbishing of science kits and early childhood education. Section 59-20-140 of the South Carolina Code of Laws allows the SCPCSD to retain up to 2 percent of all revenues for internal administrative and operating expenses, which is in addition to a General Fund appropriation of \$343,146 and an EIA appropriation of \$372,712. Regarding Education Finance Act (EFA) reimbursements in the current fiscal year, from July through December of 2010, EFA reimbursements to the SCPCSD were \$1,630 plus \$700 per weighted pupil unit. Beginning January of 2011, the reimbursements will be \$1,616.74 plus \$700 per weighted pupil unit to reflect the revised 45-day statewide weighted pupil unit counts.

**Table 1**  
SC Public Charter School District FY2010-11 Funding

	<b>Revenue Code</b>	<b>Current Allocation</b>	<b>Include in Funding Model</b>
Education Finance Act (EFA)		\$24,672,910.32	\$24,672,910.32
EIA, General Fund & Lottery:			
EEDA Career Specialists	3118	\$244,486.44	\$244,486.44
Consolidated Funds	3129	\$171,993.99	\$171,993.99
Fringe Benefits	3180	\$4,141,097.08	\$4,141,097.08
Retiree Insurance	3181	\$120,823.00	\$120,823.00
Apple Tags	3193	\$33.90	
Professional Development	3511	\$40,532.10	\$40,532.10
Science Kits	3526	\$24,246.00	
Handicapped Student Services	3530	\$3,365.81	\$3,365.81
National Board Supplements	3532	\$159,844.89	
Students at Risk of School Failure	3538	\$1,516,740.72	\$1,516,740.72

