QUESTIONS/CONCERNS ABOUT <u>BILLS</u> <u>TO</u> <u>RESTRUCTURE</u> <u>DHEC</u> (H4927 AND S915)

How and why was the Boston Consulting Group (BCG) chosen to deliver
a (some would say, biased) report in person to SC elected officials?

<u>Is this the group we want advising SC</u> on how to
restructure of one of the largest, most powerful agencies in our state?

The plan consolidates virtually all power and control of 5 departments
<u>under one bureaucrat with only one check to that power.</u>

Are you aware that the following is **prominently featured on the BCG website?**

♦ BCG Partners with the **World Economic Forum (WEF)** to launch digital health care transformation
♦ 10 Actions for Climate Change
♦ **Founding Member of Global Coalition - Partnering for Racial and Ethnic Justice**
♦ How Chinese Companies Can Build for the Future
♦ Improve Health Equity
♦ **Speed progress toward the UN's health-related Sustainable Development Goals**
♦ "Enduring" relationships with *the WHO, the WEF, World Bank Group, and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation*

THE BILLS ARE COMPLEX with too many concerns to list, but:

Despite the arguments that DHEC is "fragmented," and this plan would streamline services, provide greater accountability of directors, and make it easier for Legislators to acquire information, <u>we would urge you to</u> <u>please CONSIDER THE SOURCE and the clearly stated agenda bias of the BOSTON CONSULTING GROUP.</u>

**IN OUR VIEW, THERE IS TOO MUCH CENTRALIZED CONTROL,
AND NOT ENOUGH CHECKS AND BALANCES ON THAT POWER:**

1) Transfers power from Gov. to the Secretary for appointment of all current directors of 5 depts.
2) Secretary would review and approves or disapproves ALL regulations before submission to the General Assembly
3) The appointed Directors will have no one to go to with concerns since they were hired by this one Secretary
4) There are no qualifications, requirements, or term limits for this very powerful individual Secretary
5) Transfers power regarding assistance from sheriffs and State National Guard to the Secretary

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