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## Joint Statement by House Speaker Mitzi Johnson and Senate President Pro Tem Tim Ashe on Governor Scott's Veto of H.13

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"Let us be clear about what the Governor vetoed today when he rejected H.13:

- 1. A budget supported by virtually every legislator including members of his own party
- 2. Approximately \$30M in income tax reductions to avoid negative effects of the Trump tax plan
- 3. Significant reductions in the taxation of social security income
- 4. A level residential education tax rate

The Governor supports all four of these measures.

The bill would guarantee there will be no government shut down. It does not increase a single tax rate, nor does it include anything the Governor opposes.

The bill reflects movement by the Legislature toward the Governor, while the Governor has not made a single concession.

The Governor's veto is disappointing. We expect more from the Governor."