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## SENATE COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF SENATE PLAN ON WEBSITE

Columbia, SC - Today, Senator Glenn McConnell, President Pro Tempore of the Senate and chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, announced that the Senate Redistricting Subcommittee staff's Senate plan is now posted for review on the South Carolina Senate 2011 Redistricting website, at <a href="http://redistricting.scsenate.gov">http://redistricting.scsenate.gov</a>.

The release of the staff redistricting plan on the 2011 Redistricting website includes a color map of the proposed plan. It also provides population details and a list of all VTDs (precincts) for each proposed Senate district. Plans received from the public are also posted on the website. The Senate Redistricting website offers the people of South Carolina an opportunity to stay informed about all aspects of the Senate's redistricting process. Anyone may view the proposed submissions, as well as seeing the boundaries of the current forty-six senatorial districts.

A public hearing to accept testimony and comments regarding the public submission on the Senate and the proposed staff Senate plan is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7, 2011, beginning at 5:00 p.m. in Room 308 of the Gressette Senate Office Building, Columbia, SC. To be considered at the public hearing, written comments on the public submissions and the staff Senate plans should be sent to <a href="DebbieHammond@scsenate.gov">DebbieHammond@scsenate.gov</a> no later than noon on Tuesday, June 7, 2011.

After the public hearing, the plans will be considered by the Senate Redistricting Subcommittee as well as the Senate Judiciary Committee. Those meetings will be open to the public and times and locations for those meetings will be announced in the next few days.

A similar schedule will be announced at a later date for proposed Congressional plans.

For additional information related to the 2011 Senate Redistricting process, please visit the Senate Redistricting website at <a href="http://redistricting.scsenate.gov">http://redistricting.scsenate.gov</a>.