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SENATE URGES PUBLIC TO ATTEND HEARINGS ON REDISTRICTING PROCESS

Columbia, S.C. - The South Carolina Senate Redistricting Subcommittee, chaired by Senator Glenn McConnell (R-Charleston), announced a revised statewide public hearing schedule to allow public input concerning the 2011 redistricting of South Carolina's forty-six state senate and seven U.S. congressional districts. The other members of the subcommittee are: Senator Robert Ford (D-Charleston), Senator Larry A. Martin (R-Pickens), Senator C. Bradley Hutto (D-Orangeburg), Senator Gerald Malloy (D-Darlington), Senator Raymond E. Cleary III (R-Georgetown), and Senator Phillip W. Shoopman (R-Greenville). State senate, house, and congressional districts are redrawn every ten years after the census is taken to meet the requirements of federal law. The mission of these public hearings is to receive testimony and gather information about how people see the areas in which they live and what factors need to be considered when the senate districts are redrawn and the congressional districts are redrawn to add a seventh district. Two public hearings were added and one date was changed in the earlier schedule.

The public is urged to attend any of the ten public hearings that will be held across the state. All public hearings will be held from 6:30-8:30 pm. Following is the schedule of public hearings:

March 23	Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College in Orangeburg
March 24	Central Carolina Technical College in Sumter
March 28	Technical College of the Low Country in Beaufort
March 29	Aiken Technical College in Aiken
March 30	York Technical College in Rock Hill
March 31	Greenville County Council Chambers in Greenville
April 4	Horry-Georgetown Technical College in Conway
April 5	Gressette Senate Office Building in Columbia
April 6	Florence-Darlington Technical College in Florence
April 7	Trident Technical College in Charleston.

For additional information about the public hearings, including maps and directions, and for other information related to the 2011 Senate Redistricting process, please visit the Senate Redistricting website at <http://redistricting.scsenate.gov>.

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