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Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Robert W. Harrell, Jr.  
Speaker of the South Carolina House of Representatives  
P.O. Box 11867  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mr. Harrell:

This refers to Act No. 72 (H. 3991) (2011), which provides the 2011 redistricting plan for the South Carolina House of Representatives, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on August 9, 2011; additional information was received through September 27, 2011.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified change. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the change. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. E. Perez".

Thomas E. Perez  
Assistant Attorney General