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SC SENATE ANNOUNCES SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLAN TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Columbia, SC - Today, Senator Glenn McConnell, President Pro Tempore of the SC Senate and chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, announced that the Senate has officially submitted to the U.S. Attorney General for preclearance the Senate Redistricting Plan, S. 815, Act 71 of 2011, as required by Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. Act 71 redistricts all 46 Senate Districts. The new districts are scheduled to take effect for the purposes of qualifying for the 2012 elections.

Citizens interested in reviewing the materials submitted to the U.S. Attorney General may do so by visiting the offices of the SC Judiciary Committee, State House Complex, Room 101 of the Gressette Senate Office Building, Columbia, SC, or by reviewing the duplicate copy of the Senate's submission on the SC Senate 2011 Redistricting website, at <http://redistricting.scsenate.gov>.

Persons wishing to comment on the 2011 Senate Redistricting Plan should mark the first page and, if applicable, the envelope containing the comments with the notation "Comment under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act," and send the comments for the U.S. Attorney General's consideration to:

Chief, Voting Section
Civil Rights Division
U.S. Department of Justice
Room 7254 – NWB
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Washington, DC 20530

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