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S.C. SENATE BEGINS 2011 REDISTRICTING PROCESS

Columbia, S.C.-Today, Senator Glenn McConnell (R-Charleston), chairman of the S.C. Senate Judiciary Committee, announced the members who will serve on the Senate Redistricting Subcommittee.

In addition to Senator McConnell, who chairs the subcommittee, they 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.

Senator McConnell stated, "I have worked hard to establish a bipartisan subcommittee who will work together. The members bring to this subcommittee a wide range of different experiences and perspectives. I am confident that our work will facilitate a redistricting process that is fair and equitable to all South Carolinians."

The subcommittee will hold an organizational meeting at 10:00 am, on March 2, 2011, in Room 105 Gressette Building.

Districts for the state legislature and the U.S. House of Representatives are redrawn every ten years after the census is taken to meet the requirements of federal law. This process ensures that members of the S.C. General Assembly and the U.S. House of Representatives are elected from districts with approximately the same population.

The public is urged to attend the public hearings that will be held across the state. A schedule of the public hearings with the dates, locations, and times will be announced in the near future.

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