



South Carolina Department of Public Safety

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Hon. Kirkman Finlay III
South Carolina House of Representatives
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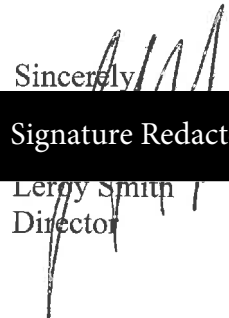
Dear Subcommittee Chairman Finlay:

Following the South Carolina Department of Public Safety's appearance before the Subcommittee on August 30, 2016, it came to my attention that the agency's outside counsel, Eugene Matthews, has two conflicts (a mediation in the morning and a court appearance in the afternoon) on September 13, 2016—the next date on which the Department is to appear before the Subcommittee. The Department considers Mr. Matthews' presence at the upcoming meeting necessary in light of the employment-related matters to be discussed.

Accordingly, the Department respectfully asks that the September 13th meeting be rescheduled. My staff and Mr. Matthews are available October 3-6, and other dates can of course be provided if those are not suitable for the Subcommittee members.

The Department appreciates your consideration of this request, as it recognizes that those who serve in the General Assembly have extremely busy schedules. The Department would be grateful for any accommodation that can be provided under the circumstances.

Sincerely,


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