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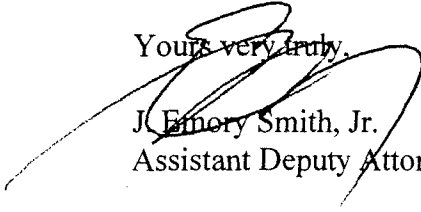
Dear Mark:

As attorney for several school district boards of trustees in Spartanburg County you have asked whether your advice is correct that the boards in that county do not have the power to set millage rates or levy taxes to fund their annual budgets. Please note that I have reviewed the authority in your letter and concur with your conclusion.

This letter is an informal opinion. It has been written by the designated Assistant Deputy Attorney General and represents the opinion of the undersigned attorney as to the specific questions asked. It has not, however, been personally reviewed by the Attorney General nor officially published in the manner of a formal opinion.

If you have further questions, please let me know.

Yours very truly,


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