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The Honorable Joe Wilson Senator, District No. 23 606 Gressette Building Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Senator Wilson:

You asked whether the uniform traffic ticket can be used to cite for violations of municipal or county ordinances providing for clean indoor air limitations on smoking in public.

In 1984 the General Assembly amended Section 56-7-10 of the Code so as to provide that the uniform traffic ticket may be used for certain specified State statutory offenses other than traffic offenses. For instance, the ticket can be used for arrests for offenses such as littering (Section 16-11-700), disorderly conduct (Section 16-17-530) and trespassing (Section 16-11-755). However, no provision was made for utilizing the uniform traffic ticket for violations of county and municipal ordinances. Therefore, such ticket could not be used for the particular ordinances cited by you.

If there is anything further, please do not hesitate to contact $\ensuremath{\text{me}}\xspace.$

Sincerely,

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