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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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\*1 Honorable James M. Waddell, Jr.  
Member  
South Carolina Senate  
Post Office Box 1026  
Beaufort, South Carolina 29902

Dear Senator Waddell:

In response to your request for an opinion regarding the reapportionment of the Beaufort County Council, [Section 4-9-90, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA](#), 1976 (Cum.Supp.), provides in part:

... All districts shall be reapportioned as to population by the General Assembly within one year of the adoption by the State of each federal decennial census except that the General Assembly may delegate this authority to any county or group of counties.

Pursuant to this provision, the General Assembly reapportions the single-member districts of the Beaufort County Council until and unless that authority is delegated to the Beaufort County Council.

I am enclosing a copy of a recent opinion from our Office regarding the constitutionality of [Section 4-9-90](#) and special legislation enacted pursuant thereto.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson  
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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