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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina November 25, 1980

*1 Re: Contracts with State Agencies

The Honorable Joyce C. Hearn 518-D Blatt Building Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Mrs. Hearn:

You have recently written to this Office seeking advice about the impact of a proposed statute (copy attached) which would prohibit state employees and certain former state employees from entering into personal services contracts with a state agency. I understand that the intent of the proposed legislation is to prohibit a state employee from being awarded a state contract without meeting the terms of the bid request or request for proposals.

It is the opinion of this Office that the proposed legislation does <u>not</u> prohibit contracts' being awarded to parties who have not met the terms of the bid request. Rather the legislation makes full-time state employees ineligible to enter into personal services contracts with a state agency while they are employed by the State or during the six month period immediately following the termination of their employment by a state agency.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Hamilton Assistant Attorney General

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