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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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***1 Re: Former terms of office of state health officers**

Honorable Allen R. Carter
Senator
Charleston County
State House
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Senator Carter:

You have requested information concerning the former terms of office of the heads of several state agencies which were consolidated in 1973 by Reorganization Plan Number 10 (Act No. 390 of 1973, Sections 32-0.1 et seq., 1962 Code of Laws, as amended). Although four entities were consolidated by Reorganization Plan Number 10, only one agency head, the State Health Officer, was affected by the Plan. Formerly, the State Health Officer had held office at the pleasure of the Executive Committee of the State Board of Health; this was apparently the arrangement from 1908, when the office was created, until 1973 (see Section 32-31, 1926 Code of Laws). In 1973, of course, the office of State Health Officer was transformed into the office of Commissioner of the Department of Health and Environmental Control, with a four-year term of office.

Please let me know if I can be of any further help.

Sincerely yours,

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