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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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*1 Honorable James M. Morris
County Attorney
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Dear Mr. Morris:

We are in receipt of your recent letter in which you requested an opinion from this office as to whether or not the County Board of Commissioners and the Delegation could increase the compensation of the county employees by the payment of a lump sum in December. Research has failed to disclose any prohibition to such a plan. For instance, there is no comparable prohibition in the Code applicable to county employees for Section 1-42 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1962, which prohibits state employees from receiving salary in advance. Therefore, as long as this payment would not constitute dual payment there would apparently be no prohibition to this mode of payment.

As per your request, I will try to draft a proposed bill and send this to you at the latter part of this week.

Very truly yours,

Trevn G. Ashworth
Assistant Attorney General

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