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*1 The Honorable Cyril B. Busbee State Superintendent of Education Department of Education Rutledge Building Room 1006 1429 Senate Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Dear Dr. Busbee:

You have requested our opinion on the following questions concerning the application of the pertinent provision of the South Carolina General Appropriations Act for the year 75-76 set forth on page 68 thereof and relating to a provision for the furnishing of breakfasts in the public schools.

1. What does 'all County School District Superintendents' mean?

In my opinion, the quoted words mean those individuals in each school district having legislative authority over school district affairs.

2. When is a school deemed eligible?

In my opinion, reference to eligibility relates to those guidelines created by the Federal Government to determine which schools are eligible to participate in school breakfast programs.

3. Is the current optional nature of participation by a district in the breakfast program removed?

Yes.

4. Who must pay for any extra expenses which may result?

Such expenses must be borne by the local school district since no other source of funds has been provided.

5. What is an 'eligible child?'

The quoted phrase has reference to the guidelines laid down in State-adopted Federal regulations governing student eligibility for free breakfasts.

A more comprehensive analysis in detail for the bases for these conclusions is enclosed herewith in a memorandum prepared by George C. Beighley, Staff Attorney of this Office.

Very truly yours,

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Attorney General

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