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*1 Mr. William Abernathy
Executive Director
State Agricultural and Mechanical Fair Association
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Abernathy:

Representatives of the State Fair Association have inquired of me concerning the application of a new section of the Code of Laws which was added in 1973. This new statute amended Section 5-11 which previously provided that: 'No carnival to which games of chance or gambling devices are attached shall exhibit in this State.'

The new statute, as amended, adds the following:

'<u>Provided</u>, games of chance involving skill shall be permissible at recognized State and county fairs; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, no cash prizes shall be awarded.'

The effect of this amendment is to permit exhibition of games of chance if they involve skill.

With best wishes, Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod Attorney General

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