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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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U. S. Department of Labor
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Dear Mr. Sexton:

This office is in receipt of your letter of April 30, 1973, addressed to the Attorney General and he has referred the matter to me for reply. You have inquired whether statutes of South Carolina grant reemployment benefits to veterans who have left State, County or Municipal Employment and whether this office is delegated the enforcement responsibility under such legislation.

Enclosed please find Sections 50-151 through 50-157, Code of Laws of South Carolina (1962) including the most recent amendment to Section 50-151.1. You will note from the enclosed statute that public employees, State and local, are entitled to a leave of absence from their duties for a maximum of five years while serving within the Armed Services of the United States. A reading of the existing statutes does not reveal a designated enforcement agency although, I would feel that the same would be within the authority of State Personnel as to former State employees.

I trust the enclosed information sufficiently answers your inquiry, but if this office may be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to call upon us.

Yours very truly,

John P. Wilson
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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