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\*1 Mr. Walter E. Newman Director of Public Safety City of North Augusta North Augusta, South Carolina 29841

Dear Chief Newman:

Thank you for your letter of May 8, 1973, inquiring if the Rules and Regulations of the Auxiliary Fire Division may validly include the following:

'Section V: Politics

No member of this Department shall take an active part in politics either directly or indirectly except to cast his vote for the candidate or candidates of his personal choice.'

While there may be some question as to the adoption of such a provision for a segment of the employees of a political subdivision, it is my opinion that this provision is valid and constitutional and may properly be incorporated and placed in operation in your city.

With best wishes, Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod Attorney General

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