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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

June 28, 1973

***1 Re: Validity of a bill to provide for the borrowing of money by the Board of Education of McCormick County for school purposes and for the consolidation of certain existing loans.**

The Honorable Julius H. Baggett
Member
House of Representatives
McCormick County
Box 8
McCormick, South Carolina 29835

Dear Mr. Baggett:

You have requested the opinion of this Office with respect to the validity of a bill to provide for the borrowing of money by the Board of Education of McCormick County for school purposes and for the consolidation of certain existing loans. Your question relates specifically to whether this bill will be violative of the prohibitions against special legislation as most recently enunciated in the local government amendment of the Constitution of this State ratified March 7, 1973.

In my opinion, this is permissible special legislation as it relates to financial affairs of a county which are peculiar to that county and, in my opinion, is not the proper subject of a general law. The basic reasons for this conclusion are set forth in the attached letter directed to Senator William Doar dated June 5, 1973, a copy of which is herewith enclosed.

With best wishes,
Very truly yours,

Daniel R. McLeod
Attorney General

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