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Date: 5/27/2014 9:32:00 AM
Subject: RE: H5225 special purpose district for Florence County

Katherine:

Please let me know if the Governor has signed H5225.

Additional information.

At this writing there appears to be only one voter in Darlington County that will be going to the polls to elect a commissioner. There are 3 lot parcels in Darlington that is all.

When the bill says that these lots are not served by Darlington Fire that is false. Palmetto Rural is 1.9 miles from these lots and is located on the same road.

The West Florence Fire Department to serve this area would have to travel about 5 miles. Windy Hill Rural Fire in Florence County is closer to these Lots with their Quinby station than the West Florence Special purpose district.

Special legislation for one county violates the Constitution. One voter, 3 lots makes it ok? This area of Darlington County that is East of I-95 has probably more than 40 houses, why are none of them included if there is such bad fire service, not even the house directly across the street?

I still would like to speak with the Governor or Staff.

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From: Veldran, Katherine [mailto:KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 4:57 PM
To: James Schofield
Subject: RE: H5225 special purpose district for Florence County

James,
I appreciate your feedback and will pass it along to our policy shop.
I will follow up with you tomorrow.
Thank you,
Katherine

From: James Schofield [mailto:jts@thesupplyhouse.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 4:26 PM
To: Veldran, Katherine
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Representative Lowe is for this bill so I am sure his version to the Governor would be different from mine.

For the Governor to sign off on a bill that prohibits the City of Florence from annexation in this special purpose district, prohibits mutual aid fire service to other districts, exempts one special district from Act 388 at the expense of the other districts, when this will hurt Economic Development in Florence County, When this bill does not even provide a mechanism to transfer from one tax system to another and leaves many questions of who will pay for fire service between the new budget year and September when they get a commission, when it creates a district with no one in Charge for several months, I think would just be incompressible to me.

Only one thing going on here, the people did not do what the Senator and Lowe wanted in the Capital Project penny last year and overwhelmingly voted against them as well as a unanimous decision at the Supreme Court on the issue.

Someone should stop the wasting of Taxpayer money hiring lawyers, the Governor has a chance to do that.

Once again I ask for a chance to be heard by the Governors Staff just the same as Representative Lowe was afforded.

James Schofield
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From: Veldran, Katherine [<mailto:KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2014 3:21 PM
To: James Schofield
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Thank you again for this information.
I spoke with Representative Lowe today about the bill.
Thank you,
Katherine

From: James Schofield [<mailto:jts@thesupplyhouse.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 5:00 PM
To: Veldran, Katherine
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Thank you.

I am available anytime day or night at your request.

Thanks

James Schofield

From: Veldran, Katherine [<mailto:KatherineVeldran@gov.sc.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 4:54 PM
To: James Schofield
Cc: KG R Smith
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Received.
I will follow up.
Thank you,
Katherine

From: James Schofield [<mailto:jts@thesupplyhouse.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 4:46 PM
To: Veldran, Katherine
Cc: KG R Smith
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Dear Ms. Veldran:

Please convey the following document to the Governor and or her staff. I respectfully request a meeting with the Governor or her staff before signing of this legislation into law.

Sincerely

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