

Columbia, South Carolina  
September 4th, 1947

The State Budget Commission met in the Governor's office at 3:00 P.M. on September 4th. All members of the Commission were present.

The following appropriation transfer was approved by the Commission:

<u>South Carolina Retirement System -</u>		
B-2 Travel	200 00	To - B-4 Repairs
B-2 Travel	85 60	D-2 Insurance

The Commission declined to approve a transfer requested by the Joint Committee on Printing for the purpose of increasing the compensation of the Porter in that department. The matter of increasing the compensation of several such employees was to be considered at a later meeting.

The following allotments were granted from the Civil Contingent Fund:

<u>Lyles-Ford Tri-County Authority</u>	
Advance for Expenses	\$5 000 00

This allotment, together with one of a equal sum granted in 1946, is to be returned to the State in the event the authority is successful in securing funds for the construction of the proposed development. The authority was represented at the meeting by Mr. David W. Robinson.

<u>Lester L. Bates</u>	
Reimbursement for expense of	
Sullivan's Island Committee	67 40

The Commission declined to approve a request by the State Library Board for \$450.00 from the Civil Contingent Fund to increase the salary of a Field Service Librarian.

The Commission declined to approve a request from Sheriff William J. Weatherly, of Marlboro County, for expenses in connection with the return of a prisoner from Philadelphia to Marlboro County on the grounds that provision for payment of such expenses by the State had been discontinued.

The Commission declined to approve a request of Palmetto Camp No. 22,

Sons of Confederate Veterans, for the sum of \$250.00 for entertainment of Confederate Veterans and widows at the State Fair, on the grounds that this request had been declined by the General Assembly.

The Commission approved the list of salaries submitted by President Henry R. Sims, of Winthrop College, for the Fiscal Year 1947-48.

The Commission gave permanent approval to the list of salaries submitted by the State Board of Health for the Fiscal Year 1947-48.

The salary changes were approved in the following Institutions and Departments:

Clemson College - Request of August 19th.

State Medical College - Request of August 13th.

State Department of Education - Request of August 21st.

State Penitentiary - Request of August 27th.

Industrial School for Boys - Request of August 18th.

State Board of Health - Requests of August 20th and September 2nd.

Aeronautics Commission - Request of August 22nd.

A request by Dr. B. O. Witten, Superintendent of the State Training School, for a ruling on the disposition of funds derived from the sale of beef cattle was referred to the State Auditor.

A request from the State Commission of Forestry for a ruling on the disposition of certain revenues of the department was referred to the State Auditor.

It was brought to the attention of the Commission that the original of the Carolina Charter was held by Mr. Charles W. Traylen, of Guilford Surrey, England, and was for sale for the sum of \$10,000.00. The State Auditor was directed to investigate this matter and report to the Budget Commission at a later meeting.

Estimates of the result of the operation of the State Government for the Fiscal Year 1946-47 and of the State's prospective revenues and expenditures for 557

the Fiscal Year 1947-48 was submitted by the State Auditor. The figures submitted indicate a possible operating deficit for the Fiscal Year 1947-48 of approximately \$2,824,000.00. The possibility of the necessity for a reduction of appropriations by the Budget Commission was discussed, and the State Auditor was directed to advise all departments and institutions to budget their current appropriation so as to be able to absorb as much as a 5% reduction if such action should later be deemed necessary to balance the budget for the Fiscal Year 1947-48.

The Commission then adjourned.



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A hearing has been set on this application and a conflicting application for a dam on the Saluda River by the South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for September 23, 1947. In order to present the case in behalf of the public our Authority will need some funds for this purpose. We are, therefore, requesting the Budget Commission to advance to the Authority the sum of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of bearing the expenses of this hearing.

In the event that the Authority later obtains funds for the construction of these projects it will refund this amount to the State and will also refund the \$5,000.00 advanced by the State to the Authority in 1946.

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