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MEMORANDUM

TO: Roger Mozingo

FROM: John Bankhead

RE: After Action Analysis on Subcommittee Hearing on
the South Carolina Clean Indoor Air Act, H-3178.

A hearing was held yesterday at 3:30PM in the Subcommittee of the House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee. The Subcommittee was made up of David Hawkins, the Chairman, Cladwell Hinson, Lawrence Brinker, William Branton and Joseph R. Murray. The sponsor of the bill, Richard Rigdon, also sat in on the hearing.

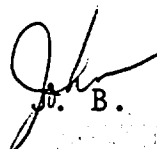
First to speak were the proponents of the measure, all of whom were connected in some manner with the South Carolina Lung Association except for State Representative Sterling Anderson and Timothy Farr an Attorney from Greenville.

Speaking in opposition to the legislation were Bryan Patrick, State Commissioner of Agriculture; John Riddick, Executive Director of the South Carolina Restaurant Association; Doug Jewell, President of the South Carolina Innkeepers Association; State Representative "Bubba" Snow, a tobacco farmer from Hemingway; and John Gregg McMaster, T. I. Legislative Council.

There was no action by the Subcommittee, but the Chairman did indicate that they would take action at a later date.

Before the hearing, Mr. McMaster and I had an opportunity to touch base with senators and representatives from the tobacco growing area as well as other legislators who are sympathetic to our position. All indicated they would do what they could to make sure that the bill did not get out of the committee. I also called John Holliday of Pee Dee Farms in Galivants Ferry who contacted the Chairman of the full committee, B. L. Hendricks and other members of the committee whom he knew personally.

John Gregg McMaster did an excellent job with the hearing and I am confident that this legislation will not be reported out of the full committee.


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