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STATE REORGANIZATION COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

January 9, 1950

Governor J. Strom Thurmond
Columbia
South Carolina

Dear Governor Thurmond:

As Chairman and on behalf of the State Reorganization Commission, with unanimous approval, I am submitting to you, under the provisions of the statute setting up the Commission, Reorganization Plan No. 2.

This plan combines into one a number of boards and commissions which are now composed of more or less the same state officials as ex officio members, and which perform related major purposes of the State Government. These boards or commissions are as follows:

1. The Budget Commission, composed of:
 - (a) The Governor
 - (b) The Senate Finance Committee Chairman
 - (c) The House Ways and Means Committee Chairman
2. The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, composed of:
 - (a) The Governor
 - (b) The State Treasurer
 - (c) The Comptroller General
 - (d) The Attorney General
 - (e) The Senate Finance Committee Chairman
 - (f) The House Ways and Means Chairman
3. The Board of Phosphate Commissioners:
 - (a) The Governor
 - (b) The Attorney General
 - (c) The Comptroller General
 - (d) Two citizens of this State, appointed by the Governor, Attorney General and Comptroller General
4. The State Finance Committee, composed of:
 - (a) The Governor
 - (b) The State Treasurer
 - (c) The Comptroller General
5. The Board of Claims for the State of South Carolina, composed of:
 - (a) The Comptroller General
 - (b) The Secretary of State
 - (c) The Attorney General

The Attorney General is not included because his services as Attorney General would be available to the Board as a State agency, as it is to any other State Agency.

The Secretary of State, the State Superintendent of Education and the State Librarian are not included because their duties are not primarily related to the financial management of the State, which would be the major function of the proposed Board.

The State Treasurer and the Comptroller General are included as members of the Board because they are major fiscal officers of the State Government, and it is believed that the nature of their duties as such would make them indispensable as Board members. The Board would thus be composed of a majority of officials who are elected state-wide.

The functions of the Board will be organized into three divisions, as follows:

The Finance Division
The Division of Property and Purchasing
The Division of Personnel Administration

The division heads would be selected by the Board for such terms as may be desired, or to serve at the pleasure of the Board. The State Auditor, now so selected, will be ex officio the Director of the Finance Division.

This arrangement would not disrupt or impede the present functions of any of the agencies involved, all of which are considered essential, but would rather coordinate their activities, which are largely organizational management, under one authority.

It will be observed that the purchasing function is transferred to the State Budget and Control Board by this plan, and provision made for central purchase and supply, and if this plan, is approved by concurrent resolution of the General Assembly it will be unnecessary for that body to consider Reorganization Plan No. 1, creating a Department of Central Purchase and Supply.

Respectfully,

(signed)

A. L. M. Wiggins, Chairman