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### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Kambrell H. Garvin  
The Honorable Rosalyn D. Henderson-Myers  
The Honorable William M. "Bill" Hixon  
The Honorable Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.  
The Honorable Timothy A. "Tim" McGinnis  
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The Honorable John Taliaferro "Jay" West

**FROM:** Wm. Weston J. Newton  
Chairman, House Legislative Oversight Committee

**RE:** Appointment to Ad Hoc Committee

**DATE:** April 29, 2021

Pursuant to the authority granted in Committee Rule 6.3, I am hereby appointing each of you to an ad hoc committee, which I will chair, to review the State Election Commission's process for maintaining the accuracy of voter rolls with regards to qualified electors, including, but not limited to, removing deceased people from the state's active voter registration list. The ad hoc committee may advance for the full Committee's consideration: (1) findings about the State Election Commission's current process for maintaining the accuracy of voter rolls, and/or (2) recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the State Election Commission's current process for maintaining the accuracy of voter rolls.

Creation of an ad hoc committee with widespread representation is warranted based upon: (1) sworn testimony received by the Committee on April 8, 2021, from a constituent and the State Election Commission's Executive Director; (2) limited time afforded to the Committee during the April 8 meeting to seek answers to questions arising from the testimony received; and (3) the personal experience of our colleague, Representative Bill Hixon, that his mother remained on the state's active voter registration list more than two years after her death. During this study, I am confident our bi-partisan legislative oversight process will maintain its focus on fact-finding and program improvement, which has been a cornerstone of the Committee's work since its formation in 2014.

Thank you for your service to the state of South Carolina and all of the people that live, work, and visit our great state. Committee staff will reach out to you to coordinate the first meeting.