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April 19, 2017

VIA EMAIL and U.S. MAIL Col. Kevin A. Shwedo Executive Director Department of Motor Vehicles Post Office Box 1498 Blythewood, South Carolina 29016

Dear Col. Shwedo:

The Executive Subcommittee is currently performing an oversight study on the State Election Commission. It is the subcommittee's understanding that individuals may utilize a driver's license or identification card as part of the information necessary to prove the individual is eligible to vote. In regards to these two items, the subcommittee seeks additional information from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Please provide the information by Friday, April 28, 2017 so the Subcommittee may review it in preparation for its next meeting with the Election Commission on Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

Drivers License and Identification Cards

- In regards to drivers' licenses:
 - Please provide a list of what is required to obtain one;
 - o If establishment of U.S. Citizenship is required, please explain how it is verified; and
 - If establishment of U.S. Citizenship is not required, please explain if there is any indication on the drivers' license or in the DMV records that the individual is not a U.S. Citizen.

- In regards to State Identification Cards:
 - Please provide a list of what is required to obtain one;
 - o If establishment of U.S. Citizenship is required, please explain how it is verified; and
 - If establishment of U.S. Citizenship is not required, please explain if there is any indication on the identification card or in the DMV records that the individual is not a U.S. Citizen.

In your responses to these questions, please provide the subcommittee with any relevant, necessary context information. If the agency has any concerns about the format yielding answers that do not provide an accurate reflection of the agency, please express those concerns prior to responding to the question, in a written letter with a copy to staff for the subcommittee. Please retain your working papers for these responses in the event the subcommittee would like to view those. As a reminder, responses to the questions above, as well as responses to any other requests, are considered sworn testimony and subject to S.C. Code of Laws Sections 2-2-70 through 2-2-120.

The subcommittee looks forward to working collaboratively with the agency during the oversight process. Thank you and your team for your service to the citizens of South Carolina.

Sincerely,

Signature Redacted

Gary E. Clary Subcommittee Chair

cc: The Honorable Laurie Slade Funderburk The Honorable Wm. Weston J. Newton The Honorable Robert Q. Williams