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Chairman Luke A. Rankin
Senate Judiciary Committee
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In re: South Carolina Judicial Reform Request

Dear Chairman Rankin:

It has become increasingly clear to me that we need to pass legislation to reform the current process of selecting judges in the state of South Carolina. Currently, there are five bills pending in the Senate Judiciary Committee concerning the Judicial Merit Selection Commission. I believe we need a subcommittee to review these bills and refer proposed legislation to the full committee.

I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss this matter fully with you.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dick Harpootlian", with a long, sweeping underline.

Dick Harpootlian
Senator, District 20

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cc: Senator Wes Climer (wesclimer@scsenate.gov)