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The Honorable André Bauer
President of the Senate
State House, 1st Floor, East Wing
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

I am vetoing and returning without my approval S. 771, R-205.

This veto is based on my belief that this bill is unconstitutional. S. 771, R-205 proposes to create the Allendale County Aeronautics and Development Commission and provides for the appointment of members, their terms, powers, duties, and responsibilities. This legislation affects only Allendale County and is, therefore, clearly an act for a specific county.

Such acts are in violation of Article VIII, Section 7 of the Constitution of the State of South Carolina, which provides that "[n]o laws for a specific county shall be enacted." Acts similar to S. 771, R-205 have been struck down by the South Carolina Supreme Court as violative of Article VIII, Section 7.

For these this reason, I have vetoed S. 771, R-205.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "MS", written over a horizontal line.

Mark Sanford