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Dear Ms. Wall:

This refers to S.L. 2010-49 (HB 1307) (2010), which schedules the November 2, 2010, special constitutional amendment election, for the State of North Carolina, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on August 31, 2010; supplemental information was received through October 4, 2010.

On August 18, 2010, the Attorney General interposed no objection to this change. (A copy of our letter is enclosed.) Accordingly, no further determination by the Attorney General is required or appropriate under Section 5. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.35.

Sincerely,

T. Christian Herren, Jr.
Acting Chief, Voting Section

Enclosure



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August 18, 2010

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Dear Mr. Wright:

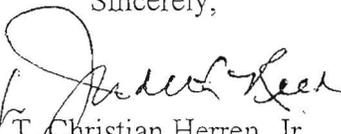
This refers to S.L. 2010-49 (HB1307) (2010), which schedules the November 2, 2010, special constitutional amendment election, for the State of North Carolina, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on July 2, 2010.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified change. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the change. Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, 28 C.F.R. 51.41.

Section 5 review is required for any voting change (*i.e.*, the qualifications for the Office of Sheriff) adopted as a result of the special election.

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