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Dear Mr. Hyman:

In response to your request for an opinion from this Office concerning the proper role of a member of the Florence County Council who is employed by an insurance company bidding upon a county group insurance program, my advice is that [Section 4-9-180, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA](#), 1976, as amended, requires him to refrain from voting upon a matter in which he has a 'substantial financial interest' after disclosing that interest. If he has divested himself of that interest as you recite in your letter, then he has no potential conflict of interests. In addition, the ethics legislation requires disclosure and no participation along the same lines as the provisions of [Section 4-9-180. See, § 8-13-460, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA](#), 1976, as amended.

With kind regards,

Karen LeCraft Henderson
Senior Assistant Attorney General

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