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Office of the Attorney General

State of South Carolina

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**\*1 Re: Rules of Tennessee State Building Commission**

Chip Ames, Esquire  
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Office of the Attorney General  
Supreme Court Building  
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

Dear Mr. Ames:

Currently the State of South Carolina selects its contractors by the competitive bid procedure set forth in Section 1-466, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA (1962), a copy of which is enclosed. There is, however, a bill pending in the Legislature which greatly expands the State's selection procedure, a copy of which is also enclosed. Architects are selected pursuant to Sections 1-453, et seq., CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA (Cum. Supp.).

We have problems with Section 1-466 because it does not allow the State sufficient leeway in screening out contractors who are on financially shaky ground and we have had problems with contractors going into bankruptcy. The selection procedure with architectures and engineers has proved quite satisfactory.

If this office can be of further service, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours very truly,

M. Elizabeth Crum  
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