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Civil Rights Division

Office of the Assistant Attorney General

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The Honorable Jeb Bush  
Governor

The Honorable John M. McKay  
President of the Florida Senate

The Honorable Tom Feeney  
Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives  
Office of the Governor  
The Capitol  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0001

Dear Governor Bush, President McKay, and Speaker Feeney:

This refers to Chapter 2002-12, which provides for the 2002 Congressional redistricting plan for the State of Florida, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on May 1, 2002; supplemental information was received through May 28, 2002.

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. In addition, as authorized by Section 5, we reserve the right to reexamine this submission if additional information that would otherwise require an objection comes to our attention during the remainder of the sixty-day review period. See the Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 (28 C.F.R. 51.41 and 51.43).

Sincerely,

Ralph F. Boyd, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General