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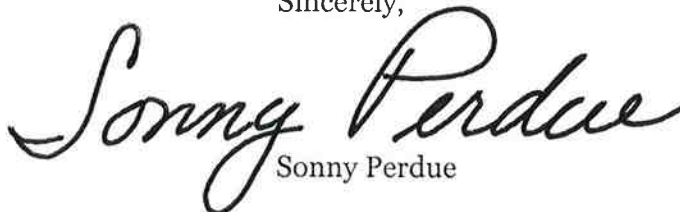
Dear Attorney General Baker:

As you are undoubtedly aware, the United States House of Representatives last night passed the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (the "Act"), which will have disastrous impacts on the State of Georgia and the United States if implemented. The Act has passed both chambers of the United States Congress and is now awaiting President Obama's signature, which could happen as early as tomorrow. I firmly believe that the Act violates the United States Constitution.

In December, I requested that you review the then-pending Act for possible avenues for constitutional challenge. You responded that such a challenge was premature, as the Act had not passed and had not been signed by the President. The Act has now passed and the President's signature is imminent. Accordingly, and pursuant to the authority vested in me by the laws and Constitution of this State, I hereby request that you institute and prosecute in the name of the State litigation challenging the Act on all possible grounds, including but not limited to, that the Act exceeds the enumerated powers of Congress.

Given that the Act is imminently to be signed into law, I respectfully request a response no later than noon Wednesday, March 24, 2010.

Sincerely,


Sonny Perdue