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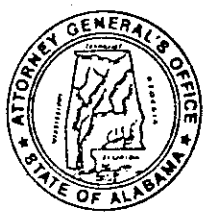

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Special registration sessions of the boards of registrars specified in Section 17-4-157(f), Code of Alabama 1975, are included within the maximum number of session days allotted for each county to meet in Section 17-4-157(a) through (c).

Dear Ms. Watkins:

This is in response to your request for an opinion from this office of February 25, 1980, in which you ask whether the twenty-five special session days allotted under Section 17-4-156(f), Code of Alabama 1975, are to be used in addition to the maximum number of session days specified for various counties in Alabama as set forth in Section 17-4-156(a) through (c).

In answer to your question, it is my opinion that the twenty-five session days to be used for special registration sessions are included within the maximum number of session days specified for each county. In reading Section 17-4-157 as a whole, that Code section is worded in terms of "session" days allotted for the boards of each county, with the exception of eight counties set out in subparagraph (d). Subsection (f) states that as many as twenty-five "session" days may be used for special registration sessions. Therefore, I

conclude that the session days discussed in Section 17-4-157(f) are the same session days as those allotted in Sections 17-4-157(a) through (c).

I trust that I have answered your question sufficiently.

Sincerely,

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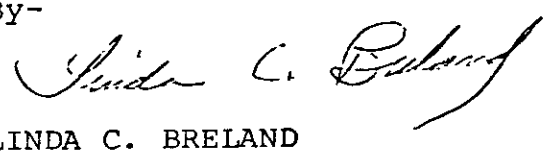

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