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Philip Bowers appointed to EOC

Columbia – Philip Bowers of Six Mile, SC has been appointed to serve as the newest member of the South Carolina Education Oversight Committee (EOC).

Bowers, who has worked at Duke Energy for over 30 years, was appointed to serve as the Speaker of the House of Representative's business representative to the EOC. The appointment was made by Representative Bobby Harrell, Speaker of the House. Bowers fills the unexpired term of Terry Brown, set to expire in 2015.



A graduate of Pickens County Schools, Bowers received his Bachelor's degrees from Southern Wesleyan University and Limestone College. He holds a Master's degree from Clemson University as well as Associate's degrees from Tri-County Technical College.

Bowers is the current Chairman of the Pickens County Republican Party. From 2008 to 2011, he served on the South Carolina State Board of Education. During his term on the State Board, Bowers chaired the Finance committee. Active in his community, Bowers is Past President of the Six Mile Lions Club and Past Master of the Six Mile Masonic Lodge. He has also served as Vice-Chairman of the Pickens County Planning Commission.

"I'm honored by this appointment and will work to ensure every child receives the best education possible," said Bowers. "I will also work to support teachers with the resources needed to educate our children, and ensure the educational system is accountable to the people of South Carolina."

Bowers is a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Pickens. He and his wife Marsha have one son and one granddaughter.

The SC Education Oversight Committee is an independent, non-partisan group made up of 18 educators, business persons, and elected leaders. Created in 1998, the committee is dedicated to reporting facts, measuring change, and promoting progress within South Carolina's education system.

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