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Rep. John J. "Bubber" Snow, 72, has served in the S.C. House of Representatives for 20 years. In January, 2002, he will begin his eleventh two-year term, as he faces no opposition in the November general election. A Hemingway resident, he represents District 103, which includes rural portions of Georgetown and Williamsburg Counties. He serves on the Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee, which he chaired from 1981-1987.

A retired tobacco farmer and former head of a feed cattle operation, he graduated from Clemson University in 1954 with a B.S. in Agronomy.

Rep Snow has received widespread acclaim for his efforts to promote beach music throughout our state. He took the lead in corralling bipartisan support for a law that made beach music the official state popular music. An avid shagger inducted as an honorary member of the S.C. Shaggers Hall of Fame, he also led the effort to make shag the official state dance. He was also responsible for founding and organizing Beach Music Day at the Capitol for two years in a row.

He has won numerous awards, including the 2001 Palmetto Dance Service Award from the S.C. Chapter of National Dance Week for "heightening public awareness" of the shag dance; the 2001 Beach Music Day award from Beach Music Association International; and the Ocean Drive Beach Party 2001 Lifetime Achievement Award for promoting beach music and shag throughout the country.

He also received the 1992 Legislator of the Year Award from the S.C. Poultry Federation; and the Wildlife Distinguished Service Award from the former S.C. Wildlife and Marine Resources Department for serving on the S.C. Wildlife and Marine Resources Commission from 1990-1991.

He received a 1985 award of appreciation from he S.,C. Association of County Agricultural Agents and a 1987 award of appreciation for his support of persons with disabilities from the Sumter Rehabilitation Center Advisory Board and the Sumter Mayor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

In 1986, he was inducted into the Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society of Agriculture for his "outstanding achievement" and service in the field of agricultural science.

He also has served on the Boards of Visitors at the Medical University of South Carolina and at Clemson University.