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# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All House Members

**FROM:** Representative Kathy Manderino

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Legislation on Prison Sentences for Murderers

**DATE:** January 27, 1994

On Wednesday, February 2, I plan to introduce legislation which will close the gap in possible sentences for second-degree murder and third-degree murder. Currently, the only possible sentence for second-degree murder is a term of life imprisonment and the current sentence for third-degree murder is ten to twenty years. The Pennsylvania District Attorneys' Association has recommended that this dramatic gap in sentencing be eliminated so that both the courts and prosecutors can have more flexibility in sentencing murderers. Therefore, consistent with the July 10, 1991 Resolution of the District Attorneys' Association, this proposed legislation would provide for a sentence range of twenty years to life imprisonment for second-degree murderers and a maximum possible sentence of forty years imprisonment for third-degree murderers.

In addition, this legislation would also increase the maximum penalty that the court could impose for attempted murder. Currently, the penalty for attempted murder is only five to ten years. This penalty is less than half that which can be opposed for simple burglary. The legislation would allow the court to impose a sentence of up to forty years imprisonment for attempted murder, thus reflecting the extreme seriousness of the crime.

A copy of the proposed legislation is attached. If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Barbara in my office at 7-1254.

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January 25, 1993

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REP. JOE MARKOSEK JFM

SUBJECT: REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE LEGISLATURE AND INCREASING THE LENGTH OF TERM

Last session, I introduced House Bill 2913 which would amend the constitution to provide for a phase-in reduction in the size of the Legislature and also provide for a four-year term for House members.

I am reintroducing this bill which will cut the legislature by 20% in 2002 and an additional cut of 20% in the year 2012.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please call Lynda, at 3-1012.

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Called

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# House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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Jaunary 26, 1993

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

TO: All House Members

FROM: Rep. Joseph W. Battisto

In the near future, I intend to reintroduce legislation from last session (HB 2797) amending Section 687 of the School Code, dealing with the procedure for adopting school district budgets.

There has been much discussion in my district and others throughout the state indicating that Section 687 allows school districts to adopt budgets with very little public input.

There are two reasons why the public has limited opportunities to influence a school district budget. First, the length of the public process can be reduced to 30 days. Also, during that 30 day period, a school district is allowed to propose a budget and adopt it during regularly scheduled school board meetings that contain many other agenda items, effectively reducing the opportunity for public comments.

Therefore, I intend to extend the budget adoption process to a minimum of 60 days with the provisions to include a special budget information meeting before a budget is proposed and a public hearing after the budget is proposed at least 15 days before it is adopted. These two sessions are intended to provide the public with opportunities to influence budget decisions.

I'm including the names of cosponsors from last session. Therefore, I'm asking those people from last session and any others to call my secretary, Julie, at 3-9077 if you would like to cosponsor this legislation.

Those from last session are Coy, Snyder, Lucyk, Mundy, Nickol, Freeman, King, VanHorne, Veon, Steelman, Clark, Serafini, McCall, Melio, Petrone, Staback, Krebs, Bishop, Levdansky, DeLuca, Jarolin, Lawless, Gruppo, Haluska, Stish, Tangretti and Corrigan.

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PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION BOARD MEMBER, BLACK HISTORY ADVISORYCOMMITTEE

MEMO

TO: All Members

FROM: Rep. James Roebuck

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

When we return to session, I will be reintroducing the following legislation. If you would like to cosponsor any of these bills please contact Karen at 3-1000.

1) An Act amending title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for mandatory sentencing for convictions for certain drug offenses.

2) An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L. 90, No. 21), known as the Liquor Code, extending enforcement powers of liquor control enforcement officers.

3) An Act amending title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing in the Public School Employees Retirement Code for creditable nonschool service and for duties of employers.

4) An Act amending title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing in the State Employees Retirement Code for creditable non-State service; and adding definitions.

5) An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for display of registration plate renewal stickers.

6) An Act amending the act of December 19, 1986 (P.L. 1743, No. 212), entitled "An act prohibiting the use of certain buildings for political fundraising events; and providing a penalty," making editorial changes relating to the Governor's residence.

Called

7) An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L. 1333, No. 320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for the filing of reports of campaign contributions and expenditures.

8) An Act making an appropriation to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania for operating expenses.

9) An Act amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L. 744, No. 222), entitled as amended, "An act prohibiting certain practices of discrimination because of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, age or national origin by employers, employment agencies, labor organizations and others as herein defined; creating the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission in the Department of Labor and Industry; defining its functions, powers and duties; providing for procedure and enforcement; providing for formulations of an educational program to prevent prejudice; providing for judicial review and enforcement and imposing penalties, "prohibiting discrimination in any program or activity which receives Commonwealth financial assistance; and making an appropriation.

10) An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L. 177, No. 175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, making editorial changes relating to the Governor's residence.

11) An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L. 90, No. 21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for capitalization and property requirements, and for certain applications.

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January 27, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Greg Fajt GF

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Maternal Notice of HIV Infant Infection Legislation

Your co-sponsorship is requested of legislation (redraft of House Bill 1441) which would permit mothers to be notified if their newly born babies test positive for HIV.

Under current confidentiality requirements, medical researchers must keep medical test results confidential to their subjects. There is no reason why such information should be kept confidential from mothers of newborns, and there are many reasons why mothers should be informed. This legislation would remove any ambiguity the medical profession faces in informing second parties of test results when the second parties are mothers of infants.

If you would like co-sponsor this legislation, please call Lea at 7-2229. Thank you for your review of this matter.

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January 25, 1993

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Allen G. Kukovich

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation - Health Insurance Reform

In the near future, I intend to introduce legislation concerning health insurance reforms. Attached is a copy of the legislation, the Health Insurance Consumer Bill of Rights. These reforms embody those in House Bill 1 of last year's special session which passed the House as well as additional reforms needed to protect health insurance policy holders from unfair practices by insurance companies. These reforms would:

--protect against health insurance cancellation of any person except for non-payment of premiums or fraud;

--provide health insurance protection against medical underwriting and pre-existing condition exclusions for employees of employers who change group insurance policies and for individuals who change jobs;

--extend benefits for a totally disabled person for at least six months if their group coverage is discontinued;

--provide a ten-day free examination period for persons purchasing insurance coverage;

--not allow insurers to exclude any dependent child from a parent's insurance because the child does not reside in the parent's household;

--require all employers to provide written notification to their employees of termination or changes in their health insurance benefits;

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--require reinsurers or organizations providing service to a self-insuring corporation to meet the requirements of this legislation;

--require insurers to accept electronic submission of claims by physicians;

--limit the ability of insurers to increase rates to small groups (100 employees or less) based on coverage of pre-existing conditions to no more than 10% and allows insurers to spread the increased costs over all the groups it covers which is consistent with the risk pooling principle of insurance.

If you wish to co-sponsor, please call Tracy at 7-1157.

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COAL CAUCUS
STEEL CAUCUS

February 1, 1993

TO: All Members

FROM: Representative Victor J. Lescovitz

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

In the near future I plan to reintroduce the following legislation.

1. This bill amends "The Public School Code of 1949," by providing for subsidy incentives to certain merged school districts and would protect employees of these districts and their collective bargaining agreements in the event of such a merger.

2. This bill, which would be known as the "Municipal Official Compensation Change Act," would prohibit changes in compensation during a municipal official's term of office.

3. This bill, to be known as the "County Fee Modification Act," would empower the Board of County Commissioners to modify the amount of fees collected by county row officers for the cost of providing certain products and services and would provide the requirements that the Commissioners would need to meet prior to such a change and also would provide a procedure to follow in the case of a dispute on such changes.

4 This bill amends "The County Code of 1955" by empowering the Board of County Commissioners of third class counties to vest in the County Treasurer the duties and responsibilities of billing and collecting county taxes in municipalities existing or organized under the "Home Rule Charter and Option Plans Law" that have eliminated the elective office of tax collector. The bill would also allow

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the Board of County Commissioners to annually pay, out of county funds, money to designated official county historical societies to assist in the paying of their expenses.

5. This bill amends "The Steel Products Procurement Act of 1978" by including electrical and electronic equipment as part of the definition of "steel products" for the purpose of that act.

6. This bill amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes by making it a misdemeanor of the second degree to require, as a condition for an employer or applicant to take a pre-employment honesty test.

7. This bill known as "The Rural Community-Board Economic Development Act," which would establish a rural community-board economic development program within the Department of Commerce and would provide for the creation of a rural investment seed capitol fund which would be administrated by the Department of Commerce.

If you wish to cosponsor any of the above proposed legislation, please contact my office at 7-2769.

VJL/sb

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STEEL CAUCUS, CHAIRMAN

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REP. NICK COLAFELLA NC

DATE: JANUARY 15. 1993

SUBJECT: CO-SPONSORSHIP OF LEGISLATION

When session resumes at the end of this month, I will introduce legislation that will allow for suspension of students that carry concealed weapons to school.

This legislation would prohibit students from bringing guns, knives or any dangerous weapon on school property. If a student is caught with a weapon, he/she would automatically be suspended from school for one year.

A recent report from the National Education Association contains some alarming figures on dangerous weapons that are brought to schools.

If you are interested in becoming a co-sponsor of this legislation, please contact Tracey in my office at 787-5475.

Yes - called (introduced) HB. 144

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COAL CAUCUS
HOUSING CAUCUS
SOUTHWEST CAUCUS
RURAL CAUCUS

**DATE:** January 21, 1993

**TO:** All House Members

**FROM:** Representative Timothy L. Pesci TLPesci

**RE:** Mandatory Minimum Sentence for Crack Possession (H.B. 2391)

In the near future I intend to introduce legislation that will provide for a mandatory minimum sentence for the use, possession, sale and attempted sale of crack cocaine.

The legislation provides for at least five years imprisonment of a person convicted for the use, possession, sale and attempted sale of any substance or mixture which exceeds five grams and which contains a cocaine base.

Currently, a street-level drug dealer will only carry enough crack that upon arrest will only receive a one year mandatory sentence. The problem is, the dealer can receive higher profits from selling crack, which is more addictive and lighter than powdered cocaine.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact my office at 7-1407.

Yes Called (introduced HB. 226)

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## M E M O R A N D U M

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Karen Ritter

DATE: January 7, 1993

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce the following legislation. If you cosponsored the bill in the previous session, I will automatically add your name as a cosponsor for the new legislation unless you call and ask to have your name removed. To refresh your memory, I have listed the names of all the cosponsors below each bill description.

LEGISLATION:

Bill B1 - (formerly House Bill 1877)
Legislation to regulate grandstands construction, regarding the spaces between seats and footrests. This bill is intended to protect children from falling through spaces that are too large.

Previous Cosponsors: Veon, E. Z. Taylor, Pistella, Harley, Saurman, Robinson, Cappabianca, Colaizzo, Melio, Micozzie, Battisto, Trello, Bunt, Olasz, Rudy, Markosek, Laughlin, Sturla, Argall, Steelman, Michlovic, Butkovitz, Van Horne, R. C. Wright, Richardson, and James

Bill B2 - (formerly House Bill 1154)
Legislation to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act to require that any tenant who files an appeal, to a court of common pleas, of a district justice's judgment under the Act shall deposit with the prothonotary a sum equal to the amount of rent due, as determined by the district justice. In addition, each month thereafter the tenant shall pay into this account the amount of rent that would be due.

This legislation will protect landlords who receive a judgment at the district justice level against a tenant who has no intention of paying the rent but simply files an appeal to keep from being evicted. Meanwhile, of course, the landlord's expenses are mounting and the chances of being paid the money owed are becoming more and more remote.

Call back to D.O.

On the other hand, a tenant who has legitimate complaints against the landlord can still appeal the district justice decision by paying the amount of money that would have been due under the lease into this escrow account. If the common pleas court overturns the judgment, the court would order the money to be repaid to the tenant. If the judgment is upheld, the money would be paid over to the landlord.

Previous Cosponsors: Fargo, Van Horne, Olasz, Staback, Merry, Geist, Fleagle, Tigue, Scrimenti, Armstrong, Belfanti, Wogan, Preston, DeLuca, Fairchild, Clark, Boyes, Micozzie, Wozniak, Tangretti, Cappabianca, Bunt, Dempsey, McGeehan, Pesci, Sturla, Nickol, Hershey, Haluska, Robinson, E. Z. Taylor, Godshall, Trello, Levdansky, Mundy, Lee, G. Snyder, Leh, S. H. Smith and Pistella

Bill B3 - (formerly House Bill 91)
Legislation which requires the registration and licensure of interior designers. The Interior Designer Licensure Board would be created under this act.

Previous Cosponsors: Boyes, Mayernik, Markosek, Scrimenti, Micozzie, Staback, Gruppo, Allen, Van Horne, Cappabianca, Trello, Pesci, Olasz, Josephs, Adolph, Laughlin, Jarolin, Cessar and Richardson

Bill B4 - (formerly House Bill 1899)
Legislation which re-codifies the dog law. This act also redefines animal control officers.

Previous Cosponsors: Dent and Van Horne

Bill B5 - (formerly House Bill 1359)
Legislation relating to the delivery of services and programs to persons with disabilities; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Public Welfare; and providing for an Office of Disability Services, an Advisory Council and a designated organization to administer programs of disability services.

Previous Cosponsors: Kukovich, E. Z. Taylor, Josephs, D. W. Snyder, Van Horne, Tangretti, Thomas, King, Steelman, James, Jarolin, Stish, Cowell, Laughlin, Trello, Pesci, Daley, Steighner, Battisto, Dent, Belfanti, Staback, Belardi, Wozniak, Serafini, McCall, Melio, Cappabianca, Schuler, Dermody, Itkin, Pistella, Sturla, Richardson, Cawley, Carone, Hughes and Rudy

If you would like to cosponsor any of this legislation or should need additional information, please contact my assistant, Rose Kepp, at 787-5762.

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CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

## M E M O R A N D U M

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Karen Ritter

DATE: January 7, 1993

SUBJECT: Legislation - Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce the following legislation which resulted from the work of the Select Committee on Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Services in the 1989-90 Session. If you cosponsored the bill in the previous session, I will automatically add your name as a cosponsor for the new legislation unless you call and ask to have your name removed. To refresh your memory, I have listed the names of all the cosponsors below each bill description.

LEGISLATION:

Bill A1 - (formerly House Bill 1193)
Legislation which allows for the court to order abusers to pay for the reasonable costs of shelter when a protection from abuse order is entered.

Previous Cosponsors: Blaum, Jarolin, Jadlowiec, Trich, Josephs, Piccola, Veon, DeWeese, Rudy, Sturla, Cappabianca, Laughlin, Corrigan, DeLuca, Melio, Mundy, Pesci, Itkin, Roebuck, Hughes, Tangretti, Farmer, Herman, Scrimenti, Lucyk, Perzel, Evans, Dempsey, Battisto, Van Horne, Belfanti, Hanna, Godshall, Belardi, Cawley, Richardson, Steelman, Nailor, Staback, Stetler, Wozniak, E. Z. Taylor, D. W. Snyder, Argall, Haluska, Bunt, Gigliotti, Freeman, Pistella, Semmel, Civera, Thomas and Flick.

Bill A2 - (formerly House Resolution 92)
Legislation which requests through a House Resolution that the Pennsylvania State Police make an annual report to the General Assembly on family violence. The report should include specific information on the incidence of reports and arrest rates from domestic violence and sexual violence.

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Previous Cosponsors: Blaum, Jarolin, Jadlowiec, Trich, Josephs, Piccola, Veon, DeWeese, Rudy, Sturla, Cappabianca, Laughlin, Corrigan, DeLuca, Melio, Mundy, Pesci, Itkin, Roebuck, Hughes, Tangretti, Farmer, Herman, Scrimenti, Lucyk, Perzel, Godshall, Belardi, E. Z. Taylor, D. W. Snyder, Argall, Haluska, Bunt, Gigliotti, Freeman, Pistella, Semmel, Civera, Hanna, Cawley, Battisto, Richardson, Trello, Steelman, Cowell, Stetler and Thomas

In addition to reintroducing the aforementioned bills, I will be introducing the following legislation that also came out of the Select Committee but which was prime sponsored in the previous session by Representative Hagarty.

Bill A3 - (similar to House Bill 1063)
Legislation that extends the statute of limitations for filing civil suits on behalf of survivors of childhood sexual abuse. Presently the limit is two years beyond the age of 18; the statutory change would extend the limitations to 12 years beyond the age of 18. This bill was introduced in the last session by Senator Hopper as Senate Bill 978 and I worked closely with him in getting the legislation passed in the House at the end of session. Unfortunately, it didn't pass the Senate before sine die. Representative Hagarty's bill (HB 1063) was limited to incest survivors only.

Previous Cosponsors: Jadlowiec, Blaum, Trich, Jarolin, Veon, Piccola, Josephs, Heckler, Rudy, Sturla, Cappabianca, Laughlin, Corrigan, DeLuca, Melio, Mundy, Pesci, Itkin, DeWeese, Roebuck, Hughes, Tangretti, Farmer, Herman, Scrimenti, Lucyk, Perzel, Godshall, Belardi, E.Z. Taylor, D. W. Snyder, Argall, Haluska, Bunt, Gigliotti, Freeman, Pistella, Semmel, Civera, Hanna, Belfanti, Van Horne, Battisto, Richardson, Trello, Steelman, Cowell, Dempsey, Fairchild, Uliana, Harley, and Wozniak

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## M E M O R A N D U M

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Karen Ritter

DATE: January 7, 1993

SUBJECT: Legislation - Sexual Assault

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce the following legislation.

LEGISLATION:

Bill C1 - (formerly House Bill 1990)
Constitutional Amendment to adopt the United States Supreme Court's standards for a child's testimony in criminal cases. According to their 1991 decision, our Constitution says that the accused has the right to "meet witnesses face to face"; and that phrase means that the standards established in June 1990 by the U. S. Supreme Court for videotaped testimony by children aren't applicable in Pennsylvania.

If you cosponsored the bill in the previous session, I will automatically add your name as a cosponsor for the new legislation unless you call and ask to have your name removed. To refresh your memory, I have listed the names of all the previous cosponsors:

Blaum, Armstrong, Fairchild, M. N. Wright, Fargo, Melio, Scrimenti, Pesci, Bush, E. Z. Taylor, Raymond, Steelman, Belardi, D. W. Snyder, Scheetz, Laughlin, Staback, Tigue, Belfanti, Hanna, Surra, Dent, James, Trello, Saurman, Battisto, Clark, Mundy, Richardson, Fajt, Pistella, and Butkovitz

Bill C2 - (Substantial Revision Of Former House Bill 2302)
This legislation proposes major changes to current law pertaining to sexual offenses. The legislation will provide for physically assaultive and coercive sexual offenses, create several new criminal offenses, provide further protections for children, clarify existing terminology, create several new definitions, and make the law gender neutral.

JAN 11 1992

called

A short summary of this legislation is attached; copies of the bill are available from my office. This is the version of the bill that was re-drafted last session with substantial input from the Attorney General and has his full support.

Due to the substantial revisions made to this legislation, I won't add any names of previous cosponsors unless you call.

If you would like to cosponsor any of this legislation or should need additional information, please contact my assistant, Rose Kepp, at 787-5762.

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# House of Representatives

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FEBRUARY 1, 1993

TO: MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FROM: REP. SUSAN LAUGHLIN
120 SOUTH OFFICE BUILDING
7-4444

SUBJ: COSPONSORSHIP OF LEGISLATION CONTINUING THE PROPERTY TAX EXTENSION (Formerly HB 1020)

Your cosponsorship is sought of legislation which would allow the property tax extension enacted this past session to continue.

The legislature had established an excellent program allowing counties the option of extending the collection of taxes on residential property for one year. Taxpayers facing hardships due to illness, injury, or unemployment entering this program were permitted to make installment payments on their owed property taxes. This compassion assisted people facing hardships and protected the long term future of areas seeking to maintain their population and, hence, their economic base.

This program expired at the beginning of the year. Counties should have the ability to create this payment system when they deem it necessary. This bill would reestablish this program with no expiration date.

Please call my office at 7-4444 in order to cosponsor this bill.

Yes called

SL/jps

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HOUSE LOCAL TAX REFORM CAUCUS
PA FIREFIGHTERS' AND EMERGENCY

SERVICES LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS

Seat 133

February 1, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Jim Gerlach

SUBJECT: Cosponsorship of Proposed legislation

Last session I introduced House Bill 999 that would amend the Pennsylvania Crimes Code to make it a third degree felony to use communications devices, such as telephones, pocket pages and radios, to commit or attempt to commit a drug trafficking felony. This bill received favorable consideration in the House Judiciary Committee and was referred to the House Appropriations Committee.

Attached is a copy of the legislation for your review. If you would like to add your name as a cosponsor, please contact Cheri in my office at 3-2649.

JWG/cmg

yes

Called 2/16

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG, PA 17120

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

February 23, 1993

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: Joe Steighner, The Majority Caucus Secretary
House of Representatives

I will be introducing in the near future legislation establishing the Office of Small Business Advocate with Cabinet level status.

The Office would serve as a centralized "one stop shopping" Department for any and all inquiries from small businesses. The passage of this legislation would allow for the combination of a number of existing offices that now perform these services.

Should you desire to cosponsor this measure, please call my office at 7-7686.

JAS:jg

yes
133
called

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PA LEGISLATIVE CHILDREN'S CAUCUS
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY CAUCUS
STEEL CAUCUS

DATE: February 4, 1993

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

TO: Members, House of Representatives

FROM: Frank LaGrotta, Member FL

I will be re-introducing my legislation to create a Tax Reform Commission (House Bill 2290 of last session, which passed the House 199-0), which will create a non-political commission to study the state and local tax laws and make legislative recommendations to the General Assembly within six months.

If you have not previously done so, I invite you to co-sponsor this legislation by calling Carole at 3-8424.

HB. 412

sent addition slip 3/9/93

Yes

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LEGISLATIVE OFFICE FOR RESEARCH LIAISON, LORL:
PENNSYLVANIA HERITAGE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: February 8, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Robert Freeman R.F.

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

I will be introducing the following bills in the near future.

1. Provides for the election of Public Utility Commissioners.

2. An amendment to the election code allowing any qualified voter, regardless of party affiliation, to challenge nominating petitions.

3. A proposed act establishing an environmental education program.

4. An election code amendment changing the Presidential primary from the fourth Tuesday of April to the first Tuesday of April.

5. An amendment to the recycling law adding grass clippings to the definition of "Leaf Waste" for recyclable purposes.

If you care to co-sponsor any of these bills, please call my Harrisburg office at 3-3815.

called

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STATE PLANNING BOARD
CENTRAL PA DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS
HOUSING CAUCUS

February 9, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative P. Michael Sturla

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation
Inmate Workforce Program (HB 2711 of 1992)

In the near future, I plan to re-introduce HB 2711 from last session. The proposal, entitled the Inmate Force Act, gives wardens and superintendents of correctional institutions the authority to use an "inmate work force" for public service projects. As provided for in the proposal, the use of inmate labor must be solely voluntary on the part of the inmate, and may not be used as a form of punishment. The proposal further prohibits the use of inmates for performing work that would otherwise eliminate jobs of persons employed by the Commonwealth or by a county, township or municipality.

Currently, volunteer prison workforces are prohibited from even participating in the "adopt-a-highway" program. This legislation passed the House last session by a vote of 198 to 0.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please call Debbie at 787-3555.

Previous Co-sponsors - Sturla, Schuler, Fajt, Hasay, Carone, Kosinski, Nyce, Trich, Argall, Tigue, Melio, Levdansky, Battisto, Noye, Saurman, Kruszewski, Lee, Geist, Kasunic, Lucyk, Nickol, Flick, Wozniak, Harley, Tangretti, Broujos, Freeman, Coy, Saloom, Billow, King, Stetler, Steelman and McNally.

called

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# House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG

DATE: January 21,1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Timothy L. Pesci TLP

RE: Legislation Increasing Tax Credits (H.B. 142)

I intend to introduce legislation that would increase the allowable tax credit available under the Neighborhood Assistance Act. This legislation will increase the maximum allowable tax credit from $250,000 to $500,000 to businesses which contribute private capital to neighborhood organizations which provide neighborhood assistance, job training, educational and community services, or crime prevention in impoverished areas.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact my office at 7-1407.

Yes
called
448
sent addition slip
3-10-93

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# House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG

DATE: January 21, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Timothy L. Pesci TLP

RE: Legislation of Theft Involving a Firearm (H.B. 150)

I intend to introduce legislation that would increase the penalty for theft involving a firearm. This legislation would make it a third degree felony when a firearm is used in cases of retail theft.

The existing law provides that retail theft is a summary offense when it is a first offense and involves merchandise that is less than $150.00; it is considered a second degree misdemeanor when it is a second offense and involves merchandise of less that $150.00; it is a first degree misdemeanor when the theft is a first or second offense and involves $150.00 or more; and it is a felony of the third degree when the offense is a third or subsequent offense, regardless of the value of the merchandise.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact my office at 7-1407.

Yes
- called
(sent addition slip 3/10/93)

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PA FIREFIGHTERS' LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS,
CO-CHAIRMAN

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March 10, 1993

SUBJECT: Patient Self-referral Act

TO: ALL MEMBERS

FROM: Tony DeLuca

133

Called

do you want to sign on, or be #2?

The week of March 29th, I plan to re-introduce the patient self-referral act. The time has come when Pennsylvania should follow the lead of Florida in providing affordable health care and holding down the cost of health care and health insurance. I personally think the issue of self referral is simple greed by some of our physicians in a system which is increasingly out of control.

First, the bill prohibits any health care provider from referring patients to facilities where they or a family member owns shares for clinical laboratory services, physical therapy services, comprehensive rehabilitative services, diagnostic imaging services and radiation therapy services.

Second, the legislation requires providers to disclose of their interests in treatment facilities and requires that the patient be provided with alternative facilities to obtain treatment. The final decision on where to receive care is made by the patient in writing on a disclosure/referral form.

Florida just recently passed this type of legislation and their Health Care Cost Containment Board estimates the cost savings from this Act will result in a potential savings of 195.5 million dollars in 1992. We in the legislature must become more concerned about holding down the cost of health care and health insurance.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact, Cookie, in my office at 3-1011.

AMD:mn

MAR 12 1993

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CONSERVATION
TRANSPORTATION

March, 1993

MEMORANDUM

RE: Cosponsorship of Legislation on Weapons in Schools

FROM: Rep. Susan Laughlin
120 South Office Building
7-4444

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

Your cosponsorship is sought for legislation seeking to further deter students from taking weapons into schools.

This bill would make anyone under age 21 who is convicted of possessing a firearm or any weapon on school property or on a school bus ineligible to receive a drivers' license until he or she has reached age 21 or for two years, whichever is more.

This is an effective deterrent as it directly involves something that is important to most young people. Current penalties are not working as the instances of young people bringing guns, knives, and other weapons to school have been increasing. Sentences are often suspended and thus are easily avoided. Taking away their ability to get a drivers' license is a penalty that young people would not be able to avoid.

Please call my office at 7-4444 in order to add your name to this bill.

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GOVERNMENT SERVICE
EFFICIENCY

**M E M O R A N D U M**

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Legislation

**TO:** All House Members

**FROM:** Rep. Stephen H. Stetler

During the week of March 16, 1993, I will introduce a supplemental appropriation to augment federal funds to aid rape crisis services. Since early in 1992, $180,000 in Federal Preventive Health/Health Services (PHHS) Funds have been available but lack legislative appropriation.

A copy of the legislation is attached. Should you wish to cosponsor, please contact Rosemary at 7-8995.

SHS/rtg

Attachment

Yes - added

03/16/93

Send letter to
Alice Lahr
Care.
3/19

MAR 17 1993

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JOINT LEGISLATIVE AIR & WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND CONSERVATION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MARCH 11, 1993

SUBJECT: PROPOSED LEGISLATION

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REPRESENTATIVE THOMAS C. PETRONE
CHAIRMAN, HOUSE URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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I will be introducing legislation to create a new lottery game called Keno. This remarkable successful game will help generate new funds and combat the stagnant lottery sales.

Under the legislation about 2,000 automated Keno outlets would be opened in bars, restaurants, stores, etc. throughout the Commonwealth. Pennsylvanian's could play up to six games per hour.

For your information, I have included a brochure from the State of Maryland regarding the game of Keno.

Please contact Donna Ash, 7-6410, if you wish to co-sponsor this legislation. For your help in responding, you may use the reference number below.

Thank you.

Yes
- called

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Enclosure

Ref: #16

MAR 1 6 1993

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# House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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## MEMORANDUM

March 12, 1993

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: Representative Mike Veon

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Legislation
**COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYEES' POLITICAL ACTIVITIES ACT**

In the near future, I will be introducing legislation to repeal provisions in the State's version of the federal Hatch Act (71 P.S., Section 741.905b, P.L. 752 of 1941, as amended) which constrains public employee participation in partisan political activities. Reestablishing public employees' basic right to express their political views, within limits, is essential to active citizen involvement in public affairs and effective government.

My bill is fashioned after federal legislation known as the Federal Employees' Political Activities Act (HR 20) which was recently passed overwhelmingly by the U.S. House of Representatives. My legislation will allow public employees to actively participate in political campaigns and run for local office (not Congress or partisan state and national offices). However, there are several limitations on political activities -- most related to fundraising -- to prevent abuses of official power.

I have attached newspaper articles relating to Congressional action on federal Hatch Act reform. This action is particularly encouraging in that it was based on strong bipartisan support, including leadership from Republicans.

If you wish to join me in cosponsoring this legislation, please contact my office at 7-1290.

Yes call

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LEGISLATIVE OFFICE FOR RESEARCH LIAISON, LORL:
PENNSYLVANIA HERITAGE AFFAIRS COMMISSION, EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DATE: March 17, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representatives Robert Freeman, Pat Carone, Vincent Hughes, Babette Josephs, Allen Kukovich, David Levdansky, Timothy Pesci, William Robinson, and Michael Veon

SUBJECT: Proposed Voter Registration Legislation

We will be introducing the following package of bills designed to increase voter registration and participation. Please contact Representative Freeman's office at 3-3815 if you want to co-sponsor any or all of the bills.

yes 1) High School Diploma - Freeman - Requires school districts to distribute voter registration forms to those graduating students who will be eligible to vote in the next election.

2) Confidentiality - Carone - Forbids the use of voter registration lists for jury duty and tax purposes (three bills).

yes 3) Agency Based Registration - Hughes - Establishes a system of voter registration in state offices that have contact with the general public, including unemployment and public welfare offices.

4) Lost Affidavit Ballot - Josephs - Establishes a special ballot for individuals who claim to be registered when the local election board has no record. The ballot is sent to the County Election Board for verification of registration or rejection after the polls close.

5) Homeless Voter Registration - Kukovich - Codifies various court rulings allowing people without a permanent address to register to vote.

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✓ - called

6) Motor Voter - Levdansky - The bills would require driver's license application or renewal forms and vehicle registration forms to also serve as a voter registration application. Thirteen states have voluntarily enacted similar motor voter registration proposals and have experienced significant increases in voter registration and election day turn-out. (two bills)

7) Absentee Ballots - Pesci - Aligns provisions for absentee ballots with federal standards, allowing ballots to be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on the day before an election. State law only accepts absentee ballots until 5:00 p.m. on the Friday preceding an election.

8) Extended Purge Period - Robinson - Extends purge period from two to four years (two bills).

9) Same Day Registration - Veon - Allows an eligible person to register and vote on election day by appearing at their polling place, completing a registration card, taking an oath and providing proof of residence.

IVAN ITKIN
THE MAJORITY LEADER

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**TO:** ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

**FROM:** IVAN ITKIN II

**DATE:** MONDAY, MARCH 29, 1993

**SUBJECT:** PROPOSED LEGISLATION

I plan to introduce legislation which would make the Health Care Cost Containment Council permanent. As you are aware, the Council is due to sunset on June 30, 1993. In addition to continuing an entity which has proved to be of substantial importance and benefit, the bill also contains changes which will further improve the Council's operations. If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Allison in my office at 783-5360.

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Yes
~~PB~~
Seat
133

called Allison
4-12-93

MAR 30 1993

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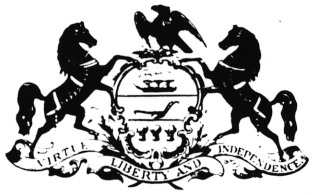

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# MEMO

DATE: April 12, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Rep. Jerry L. Nailor
88th Legislative District

Rep. Anthony J. Melio
141st Legislative District

SUBJECT: Foster Care Legislation

When we return to Session, we will be introducing legislation that will exempt certain payments received by foster parents for in-home care of foster children from the state personal income tax.

It has become increasingly difficult for our counties' Children Services to find a sufficient number of qualified foster parents. Many of these agencies have even found it necessary to advertise in their local newspaper want ads for foster parents.

Therefore, as a possible incentive and because we believe that payments received by foster parents from government or placement agencies for in-home care are utilized to reimburse the foster parents for actual expenses, we are introducing the attached bill to exclude those payments as taxable income.

If you would like to join us as a co-sponsor of this legislation, please contact Joann at 3-5282, or through PROFS at H088JLN.

Attachment

Yes call

APR 14 1993

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# House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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April 20, 1993

## MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members

FROM: Allen G. Kukovich

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

Next week I will be introducing legislation that would provide for the establishment of physician referral networks throughout Pennsylvania. These networks would act as referral agencies for persons seeking doctors who are willing to accept Medicare, Medicaid or worker's compensation patients.

The Department of Health would evaluate the effectiveness of these networks. In counties where access to physicians was lower for such patients than the general population, a charge would be assessed against physicians who do not participate in the network or who refuse to accept such patients. The money collected from this charge would be used to help fund physicians who will accept such patients.

If you have any questions or if you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please call 7-1157.

Yes 133 called

APR 21 1993

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TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, CHAIRMAN

April 21, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Ron Gamble
302 Main Capitol Building

RE: **Proposed Legislation - Consolidation of Municipal Police Forces**

I will be introducing legislation to deal with consolidation of municipal police forces.

It provides that, when there is a merger of police departments from two or more municipalities, all current police officers shall be retained before any new officers may be hired.

Please call 787-1279 or 787-6926 if you wish to co-sponsor this bill.

yes - called

RG/ma

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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: All Representatives

FROM: Representative Harold James

DATE: April 19, 1993

SUBJECT: Legislation Co-Sponsorship

I plan to introduce legislation that will alter the face of the Nomination Petition that is circulated prior to an individual being nominated for an elected office.

This legislation will amend the Pennsylvania Election Code to provide for the deletion of the signers occupation and instead replace that space with a space for ward, division, or precinct. Additionally, the petitioner shall be responsible for inserting the correct ward, division, or precinct for the signer.

I feel that these changes will make the petition a more useful tool for nominees by providing them with more pertinent information than was previously provided on the petition.

If you would like to join me in sponsoring this legislation, please contact my office at 7-9477.

Yes - called

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL CONF. OF STATE LEGISLATURES
EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES, COMMISSIONER

April 20, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: Rep. Ronald R. Cowell, Chairman
Education Committee

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation

During the week of April 26, 1993 I will be introducing legislation which reenacts the provisions of the Information Technology Education (ITEC) Act.

The ITEC Act, which expired June 30, 1992, authorized PHEAA to establish at least eight Regional Computer Resource Centers. The purpose of these centers was to increase teacher expertise in computer information technology and assist local school districts in acquiring, utilizing and upgrading computer hardware and software.

A recent survey conducted by PHEAA indicates a strong need to continue the ITEC program. For example, school districts feel that they have only about one-half of the microcomputers necessary to meet their current needs. Respondents to the survey have 68,000 units and feel they need an additional 67,000.

This legislation will reenact and extend the provisions of the ITEC Act until June 30, 1997.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Debby Schultz at 3-1905 no later than Monday, April 26, 1993.

Yes - called
- introduced
H.B. 1512

APR 2 2 1993

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# House of Representatives

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HARRISBURG

February 9, 1993

To: All House Members

From: Representative Timothy L. Pesci TLP

Re: Proposed Legislation (H.B. 2379)

JLO called

I intend to introduce legislation that would establish a program which would assist Pennsylvania small businesses in expanding, through the Ben Franklin partnership. A small business is defined as an independently owned and operated for-profit business concern employing two hundred fifty (250) or fewer employees.

This legislation will also connect and serve as consortiums between business, universities, and government through advanced technology centers. This board with approval of the Governor is authorized to draft contracts, make grants and matching grants with educational institutions, non-profit organizations, business enterprises and other agencies. It will also provide support and assistance to Pennsylvania small businesses seeking to become exporters.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact my office at 7-1407.

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CONSUMER AFFAIRS

MEMBER, LOW EMISSION VEHICLE COMMISSION

June 10, 1993

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: All House Members

FROM: Rep. Keith R. McCall KM

SUBJECT: Cosponsorship of Resolutions

When we return to session next week I will introduce two resolutions.

(1) Memorializing Congress to take whatever steps necessary to save the garment industry from foreign competition.

(2) Directing the Education Committee to investigate the causes of firearm violence in our schools.

HR 139

If you wish to cosponsor these resolutions, please contact my secretary, Debbie, at 3-1375.

KRMc:dsw

yes

called

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TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
SUB-COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ON
TRAVEL PROMOTION

MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 10, 1993

TO: All House Members

FROM: HM Representative Herman Mihalich

SUBJECT: High Speed Rail Legislation

When the House returns to session I plan to introduce legislation that would re-institute the Pennsylvania High Speed Rail Commission. As evidenced by the passage of ISTEA by the federal government in 1991, there is a growing recognition that a multimodal approach is necessary to solve our nation's mobility problems. High speed rail (HSR) is a mode of transportation that has well served the mobility of the French, Germans and Japanese for some time. In addition, these systems have been a key economic development tool for each of the countries involved.

There is renewed interest in high speed rail in the United States. Several states have public entities that are in place to receive federal grants and act as coordinating agencies for HSR technology sharing and information gathering. These activities will lead to the development and construction of high speed rail systems in the various states involved. Currently there is no such public entity in the commonwealth. This puts Pennsylvania at a distinct disadvantage in terms of securing federal dollars and furthering discussions on financing with vendor consortiums.

Pennsylvania has many industries that can participate in the development and construction of a high speed rail system. A high speed rail system would result in an expanded employment base in the commonwealth, as well as, help secure thousands of jobs that otherwise might be in jeopardy.

A well known author recent wrote that "Pennsylvania has stumbled with an on-again, off-again approach to high speed rail." The saddest aspect to his commentary is that it's correct. I am hopeful my legislation will soon make the author's statement out of date.

A copy of the legislative draft is enclosed for your review. If you would like to cosponsor this legislation please call Janet at 2-2820.

yes - called
BB

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# House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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FEDERAL-STATE RELATIONS, CHAIRMAN

September 20, 1993

**SUBJECT: Proposed legislation**

**TO: All Members**

**FROM: Rep. Italo S. Cappabianca**

introduced
sent add. slip
9-29-93

When we return to Session, I will be introducing two (2) pieces of legislation. If you wish to co-sponsor either of the below described proposals, please call my office at **7-4358**. Thank you.

N.R. 165

1. A Resolution noting the significance of the ***Peace Agreement signed on September 13, 1993 between the State of Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization;*** and supporting President Clinton's call for Americans with ties to the Middle East to work for peace and democratic institutions.

N.B. 2082

2. A Bill allowing hospitals to apply for ***"state action exemptions" for certain health care projects; shielding them from anti-trust liability***. These joint ventures would allow hospitals to cut costs by reducing the number of empty beds, and underused services in some locations, while becoming able to serve a broader patient base. Five states currently have laws allowing hospitals pursuing cooperative projects protection from antitrust enforcement. Similar legislation is pending in Congress and six other states.

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TASK FORCE ON JOBS AND BUSINESS EXPANSION

**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** October 4, 1993

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Legislation

**TO:** All House Members

**FROM:** Representative Teresa E. Brown
6th Legislative District

I intend to introduce two pieces of legislation that would remove from voter registration application cards the requirement that an applicant state his or her skin color and thus would effectively remove any reference to skin color from voter registration cards on file with the various registration commissions.

yes

1. Under current law, a registration applicant in a first class city (Philadelphia) must indicate his or her skin color on a voter registration application card. My legislation would remove the reference to skin color from voter registration applications.

yes

2. Registration applicants in cities of the second class, second class A and third class, boroughs, towns and townships are asked also to indicate the color of their skin. However, the Permanent Registration Act for Cities of the Second Class, Second Class A and Third Class, Boroughs, Towns and Townships presently requires that a voter registration application card not be rejected because the color of the applicant is not indicated thereon. My legislation would remove the skin color option from voter registration applications for Cities of the Second Class, Second Class A and Third Class, Boroughs, Towns and Townships.

If you would like to co-sponsor either of these pieces of legislation, please contact my secretary, Lisa, at 7-2353.

TEB/ldw

Replied 10-7-93

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GAME AND FISHERIES, CHAIRMAN
POLICY
JOINT LEGISLATIVE AIR AND WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

October 4, 1993

SUBJECT: Introduction of Legislation

TO: All House Members

FROM: Thomas J. Fee T.J.F.

In the very near future I will be introducing a package of bills based on the New Colorado laws that are designed to reduce teenage violence.

The bills if enacted will do the following:

1.) require the presence of parents or guardians at court proceedings for juveniles.

2.) prohibiting the possession or sale of handguns to any person under 18 years of age, and providing for exemptions.

3.) provides for the imposition of a juvenile offender surcharge by the courts.

4.) allows municipalities to adopt curfew ordinances.

5.) provides for an alternative juvenile detention program.

6.) establishes a Youthful Offenders System within the Department of Corrections as an alternative sentencing option.

If you wish to co-sponsor this package of legislation, please call my office at 3-8655.

Replied 10-7-93

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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG

October 6, 1993

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REP. JOE MARKOSEK JFM

SUBJECT: PROPOSED SEAT BELT LEGISLATION

I am preparing legislation to make the non use of seat belts by children over 4 and under 18 a primary offense.

Under current law children under 4 years of age must be secured in a child restraint seat and non compliance is a primary offense. However, noncompliance for all other occupants is a secondary offense.

Noncompliant occupants over 18 years of age will continue to be a secondary offense.

Please call Lynda, at 3-1012 if you would like to co-sponsor this legislation.

JFM/lhd

yes
- called
already
- introduced
- sent add. slip

N.B. 2199

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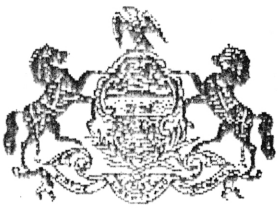

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HARRISBURG

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Members of the House of Representatives
(Please forward to the Member ASAP)

FROM: Rep. Martin L. Laub M
153rd District

RE: Access Pennsylvania Legislation (Funding for Libraries)

DATE: October 7, 1993

The initial reaction to my proposal to supply a supplemental appropriation for Access Pennsylvania has met with outstanding bi-partisan support.

Our libraries are one of our greatest resources. Unfortunately, not every community can afford to have an excellent library system. For that reason, Access Pennsylvania was created to allow our constituents to borrow from any library in the Commonwealth.

Since the time of its inception, Access Pennsylvania has not received adequate funding from the General Assembly. For that reason, some communities have been forced to charge people who want to borrow books from outside their immediate system.

In order to end this practice and put Access Pennsylvania back into the business of providing total library access to our residents, I have drafted legislation which will supply an additional $3.8 million to the Access Pennsylvania system.

This money will allow all libraries to offer cost-free state-wide loans to their membership. Who will benefit from this? In short, everyone will benefit. Those communities who can't afford to have an outstanding library will instantly increase the availability of books to its residents and will, therefore, become as good as any other library in the Commonwealth. Those communities with no library at all will afford their residents the opportunity to use the library in another community.

The larger libraries will not suffer the financial burden of making these books available to other state residents. Finally, the entire Commonwealth will benefit. Libraries, regardless of their size, will become the focal point for research and study as well as recreational reading. This is as it should be.

Members of both parties have already joined in the effort including people in leadership on both sides of the aisle -- **Speaker William DeWeese, Republican Leader Matthew Ryan and Republican Caucus Secretary Roy Cornell are all among the strong supporters. I would like to place you in the same category!**

On Monday, October 11, I will be holding a joint press conference with the Pennsylvania Library Association as part of their annual convention in Philadelphia. I would like to be able to add your name to the list of co-sponsors which will be distributed at that time. Also, I would love to have you join us for the press conference.

To add your name as co-sponsor or for more information on the press conference, please call Tony Swanick in my District Office (215) 885-3500 before Friday at 5 p.m. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

10/8 - Called Rep. Laub — he's added as co-sponsor

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG

MEMO

DATE: October 27, 1993

SUBJECT: Insurance Coverage of Adopted Children

TO: All Members

FROM: Rep. Frank Yandrisevits FWY

yes

The Federal Budget Act which was enacted this summer included a provision which related to health insurance plan coverage as it affects adopted children. Prior to the new law taking effect, many health insurance plans did not provide coverage to adoptive children from the time of placement, but only covered these children once the adoption became final. Many plans also excluded preexisting medical problems from coverage. The new Federal law requires that coverage for adoptive children be the same as benefits available to an employee's birth children, provides that coverage begin at placement and prohibits the exclusion of preexisting medical problems. However, the new law only applies to employer-provided health plans of employers who are covered by ERISA. Therefore, health plans purchased by individuals, anyone who is self-employed, or employers who are not subject to the provisions of ERISA such as state and local governments, churches, hospitals and colleges or universities, are not required to provide these benefits.

When we return to Session on November 22, I intend to introduce legislation which would extend the coverage provided by the Federal law to those insurance policies to which the Federal law does not apply. A copy of the legislation is attached for your information. If you wish to cosponsor this legislation, please contact my legislative assistant, Kay Helm at 7-4082.

Called for co-sponsorship confirmation 11/12

OCT 28 1993

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JOINT LEGISLATIVE AIR & WATER POLLUTION CONTROL & CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

November 19, 1993

TO: ALL MEMBERS

FROM: ANTHONY M. DeLUCA

SUBJECT: PROPOSED LEGISLATION
LIFE SENTENCE WITHOUT PAROLE

A recent television network poll indicated that crime in America is the most disturbing and immediate concern of the population. The State of Washington ran a referendum on the ballot to address this problem by instituting the "3 strikes and out" method which passed overwhelmingly.

The above reasons has prompted me to introduce the same type of legislation which would provide for a statewide referendum here in Pennsylvania on the question of whether persons who have been convicted of three separate serious felonies should receive life imprisonment without parole. This will determine how the people of the Commonwealth feel in this regard.

If you wish to co-sponsor this bill, please contact me at 3-1011.

AMD:mn

Yes / DID SIGN ON w/ TONY ON 11/23/93

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# House of Representatives

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Lee, why don't you introduce your own bill

## M E M O

DATE: October 27, 1993

TO: Members of the House of Representatives

FROM: Rep. Frank L. Oliver Frank L. Oliver

RE: Proposed Legislation - Juvenile Gun Possession

Yes

When the House of Representatives returns to session November 22, 1993, I intend to introduce legislation dealing with possession of firearms by juveniles.

My legislation would prohibit anyone under the age of 18 from possessing a firearm except when target practicing under adult provision, undergoing firearms training or hunting with and adult, or on private property, with the permission of owner or lessee.

11/13 Confirmed Co-sponsorship

OCT 2 8 1993

request that ~~Bo~~ Bruce offer an ~~amen~~ amendment to take away ~~Dre~~ Drivers ~~Lee~~ License as part of punishment (under 18)

*The measure provides for a felony to possess or carry a firearm on school property and a misdemeanor for a person under 18 to possess or carry a firearm.*

*This legislation is mandated due to the serious death and destruction occurring in Philadelphia by our youth. My proposal is a step towards giving our courts an additional tool to solve this problem of increasing bloodshed.*

*Should you desire to co-sponsor this legislation, contact Sandy Bennett, of my staff, at 783-3851.*

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DEVELOPMENT
MAJORITY POLICY

STATE PLANNING BOARD
CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION

December 9, 1993

DEC 21 1993

SUBJECT: CO-SPONSORSHIP OF LEGISLATION
GANG VIOLENCE PENALTIES

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative P. Michael Sturla

Sturla

When the House reconvenes in January, I will be introducing legislation which increases the penalties against crimes committed in conjunction with gang activity.

Recently, I was made aware of a situation where an assault was perpetrated by juveniles as an initiation rite into a gang. This legislation will increase the penalties for gang violence, encourage community service as a portion of the penalty and hold gang members who directed the criminal act to be responsible for actions taken under their direction.

If you would like to join me in sending a message against this type of criminal activity by co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Debbie at 7-3555.

Yes
12-17-93 - responded

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AGING AND YOUTH
MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS
INSURANCE
MAJORITY POLICY

November 10, 1993

TO: All Members of the House

FROM: Rep. T.J. Rooney

SUBJECT: Malpractice Arbitration Reform

In an effort to streamline procedures for the arbitration and adjudication of health care malpractice lawsuits, I intend to introduce legislation to create an arbitration panel which will deal with these cases in a prompt and efficient manner.

It is not in the best interest of any of the parties involved in these types of cases to let them drag on through our current court system. With the Health Care Arbitration Panel, this enables both parties to come to an agreement without violating either side's right to due process.

Ultimately, the true benefactor of a more efficient system in dealing with malpractice lawsuits, that contribute to skyrocketing medical costs, will be every person in this Commonwealth who pays for health care insurance.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact my office at 3-8515.

ok w TJ
is the Governor's plan

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