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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Senators

FROM:

Senator Robert C. Wonder

RE:

Co-Sponsorship Memo

Providing for Exclusion of Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance Policies

DATE:

December 14, 2005

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation to require health insurers to provide policyholders the express option to exclude abortion coverage from their policies on moral or religious grounds.

Specifically, the legislation would require healthcare and disability insurance providers to inform policyholders of their option to exclude coverage of all abortions except those necessary to avert the death of the pregnant woman or when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest. For group policies, the option for exclusion of coverage shall also be made available to each individual subscriber.

This is the companion piece to Representative Thomas A. Tangretti's House Bill 1020.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Donna Stchur via email at dstchur@pasen.gov or call my office at 787-3110.

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MEMORANDUM

To:

All Members of the House of Represe

From:

Representative Thomas Tangretti

Date:

February 8, 2005

Re:

Reintroduction of Legislation

Providing for Exclusion of Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance Polices

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce legislation to require health insurers to provide policyholders the express option to exclude abortion coverage from their policies on moral or religious grounds. This proposal is based on House Bill 2104 from the 2003-2004 Legislative Session.

Specifically, the legislation would require healthcare and disability insurance providers to inform policyholders of their option to exclude coverage of all abortions except those necessary to avert the death of the pregnant woman or when the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest. For group policies, the option for exclusion of coverage shall also be made available to each individual subscriber.

If you would like to join me by co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Cynthia Clory at 783-5963 or cclory@pahouse.net.