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January 26, 2004

Max Racop

Union City, PA 16438

Dear Mr. Racop: - *Max*

Thank you for contacting my office regarding your concern for the newly instated provisions for protective equipment for motorcycle riders. As your state representative, I appreciate learning about issues that are important to my constituents, and I value this opportunity to be of service to you.

As you know, Senate Bill 259, which addresses this important issue, passed the House of Representatives on July 1, 2003 and was shortly thereafter signed in to law. What's more, not only did I not vote for this law, I fully recognize the blatant inconsistency as it relates to protective gear. Although I understand and respect your views, at this writing no legislative initiatives addressing this issue have been introduced. Nevertheless, I understand the rationale behind your comments and will keep them in mind should the opportunity to address this issue arise in the General Assembly.

Again, I would like to thank you for sharing your views regarding this matter. Your input is always welcomed and appreciated. Should you require any further assistance with this or any other issue in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom".

Tom Scrimenti  
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Mr. Billie Eaton

Union City, PA 16438

Dear Mr. Eaton:

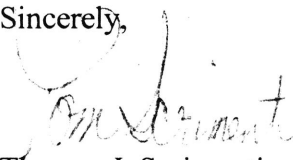
Thank you for your recent letter regarding House Bill 1289, which would establish an account within the Public School Employee's Retirement System (PSERS) for the collection of "excess earnings" produced from the investment of annuitant funds. The "excess earnings" will increase the assets in the fund and be held for the benefit of those annuitants whose funds were used to generate the earnings.

As you may know, House Bill 1289 does not mandate or guarantee that any future Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) will be granted or offered. Instead, the bill is aimed at establishing an account dedicated to funding COLA's in the future.

Currently, House Bill 1289 is on second consideration in the House. The House must consider the bill three times before final passage. I reflect my support of House Bill 1289 through my co-sponsorship of the bill.

Again, thank you for contacting my office. If you have questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact my office. You can count on my support.

Sincerely,

  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
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February 4, 2000

Mr. David A. Smith

[Redacted]  
Erie, PA 16511

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your letter of support for House Bill 1401. This legislative proposal, which provides for an increase in the health care supplement support payment for Pennsylvania State Employee Retiree annuitants, is currently in the House Education Committee.

According to the Education Committee staff, this measure is not slated for committee review in the immediate future. Because of the significant cost implications, the Committee will have to take deliberate measures to ensure that the fiscal solvency of the fund is assured. Additionally, the proposal will have to be reviewed by the Public Employee Retirement Commission to determine the cost and actuarial effect of such a change.

When this proposal is presented to the General Assembly, I will give it my full consideration. In the meantime, please accept my thanks for sharing your thoughts with me.

If I can provide any future assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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July 17, 2000

J. R. Englert

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Erie, PA 16509

Dear Mr. Englert:

I would like to thank you for your letter of support for House Bill 1401. This legislative proposal, which provides for an increase in the health care supplement support payment for Pennsylvania State employee retiree annuitants, was voted out of the House Education Committee on March 22. As a co-sponsor of this legislation, I do support prompt consideration of this bill.

I am happy to report that H. B. 1401 has been placed on the House voting schedule for consideration in September. I am sensitive to the significant impact that health care cost can have, particularly, on retiree's living on fixed incomes. I will continue to work to insure that this proposal receives prompt consideration.

Again, thank you for sharing your position on House Bill 1401 with me. If I can be of future assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Scrimenti".

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March 24, 1997

Thomas H. DeWall  
Executive Officer  
Pennsylvania Psychological Association  
416 Forster Street  
Harrisburg, pa 17102-1714

Dear Mr. DeWall:

I am in receipt of your letter of March 13th, wherein you requested that I co-sponsor legislation being introduced by Representative Tracy Seyfert, previously H.B. 2560.

Please know that I signed on as a co-sponsor of Representative Seyfert's legislation, Psychologists Continuity of Care Act, on March 17, 1997.

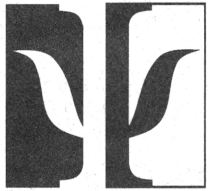
If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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March 13, 1997

Honorable Thomas J. Scrimenti  
PA House of Representatives  
25B East Wing  
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2020

Dear Representative Scrimenti:

Representative Tracy Seyfert has agreed to introduce legislation (House Bill 2560 of the 1995-1996 Legislative Session) that would permit, but not require, hospitals to modify their bylaws to place psychologists on their professional staffs. The existing regulations would be modified to allow patients to select which mental health professional will provide treatment for them within hospitals.

Hospitalizations usually occur at a time of crisis for patients. It is precisely at this time that the patients want to maintain their relationships with their chosen mental health provider. Instead, hospitalizations now impose a painful disruption on the patients of psychologists, as a referral to a physician is required. The patient's treatment plan becomes the physician's responsibility.

You were a co-sponsor of House Bill 2560 and we respectfully request that you sign on to Representative Tracy Seyfert's bill. Thank you for considering our request. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (717) 232-3817.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. DeWall  
Executive Officer

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October 21, 1997

Frank P. Buzydlowski, Director-Legislative Matters  
Bell Atlantic-Pennsylvania, Inc.  
Strawberry Square, Fourth Floor  
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Dear Mr. Buzydlowski: - *Buz*

Thank you for your recent memorandum expressing your company's position on House Bill 1566, providing for public access to state legislative information via computer. I decided to co-sponsor this legislation for many of the reasons you mentioned. It is important to keep the public informed regarding state-wide matters.

House Bill 1566 was referred to the State Government Committee on June 3, 1997. The bill must be reported out of committee before any legislative action can be initiated by the House. The sole responsibility of calling up bills for floor votes lies with the House Majority Leader, Representative John M. Perzel.

If you haven't already, you may want to send your memorandum to the House State Government Committee Chairmen:

Michael C. Gruitza, Democratic Chairman  
House State Government Committee  
319 South Office Building  
PA House of Representatives  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Paul I. Clymer, Republican Chairman  
House State Government Committee  
150 Main Capitol Building  
PA House of Representatives  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Again, thank you for sharing your thoughts with me. If you have questions or comments, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

*TJS*  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative

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March 26, 2001

Renee Wagner, President  
Erie County Association of  
Local Government Secretaries  
11184 Rich Hill Road  
North East, PA 16428

Dear Ms. Wagner: *Renee*

I have received and read your recent letter expressing opposition to Senate Bill 1333, with reference to requiring that public records be available by the following business day of request. I want to thank you for taking the time to include me in your thoughts and share your concerns.

I can truly sympathize with rural communities who are short of clerical help and do not have daily office hours due to their location. Government agencies should never lend to the appearance that government runs the people rather than the other way around. I submit to you that this type of attitude is not conducive to good government.

Senate Bill 1333 was introduced in the State Senate during the 1999-2000 Legislative Session. During this current session, the bill was reintroduced in the House of Representatives as House Bill 982 and was referred to the House State Government Committee on March 14, 2001. A similar bill was also introduced in the State Senate as SB 701 and was referred to the Senate State Government Committee on March 23, 2001.

Please be assured that I will monitor the progress of any legislation pertaining to the issue of public records and will consider amending the aforementioned should a bill come before the House for a vote.

Again, I thank you for taking the time to contact my office. If you have any questions or if I can provide assistance with any state-related issue in the future, please do not hesitate to contact my office. As always, your input is welcomed and appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Tom*  
Thomas J. Scrimenti  
State Representative