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MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members

FROM: Robert L. Freeman, Chairman
House Local Government Committee

DATE: December 8, 2010

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation- Auditor General to Conduct Audits of General Assembly

In the near future, I intend to re-introduce former House Bill 2229 to provide the Pennsylvania Department of the Auditor General with the duty of auditing the financial affairs of the General Assembly and its legislative service agencies.

Currently, the financial affairs of the General Assembly and its legislative service agencies are audited by a certified public accountant retained by the Legislative Audit Advisory Commission. However, I feel it would be more appropriate to bestow this responsibility upon the Auditor General.

My legislation amends the Fiscal Code to provide the Department of the Auditor General with the duty to perform annual audits of the financial affairs of the General Assembly and its legislative service agencies and allows for the Auditor General to perform special audits if deemed necessary. Copies of all audits would be required to be submitted to the President pro tempore of the Senate, Minority Leader of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and the Minority Leader of the House.

If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact Danielle Brown via e-mail at dbrown@pahouse.net or by phone at 783-3815.

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