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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative Robert L. Freeman

DATE:

December 8, 2010

SUBJECT:

Proposed legislation – amending the Election Code – campaign finance

reports for state House and Senate candidates

I will be re-introducing House Bill 1169 in the near future. This legislation would require candidates for state House and Senate to file campaign expense reports on or before the sixth Tuesday prior to the election in addition to the second Friday before the election. Currently, only candidates for statewide office are required to file by the sixth Tuesday prior to the election.

The change would provide earlier disclosure and greater transparency on who is contributing to candidates for the General Assembly. Furthermore, with the earlier disclosure, the time and effort involved in filing the second Friday report would be decreased since the time span and information would be less.

If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact Danielle Brown in my office by telephone at 783-3815 or by e-mailing her at dbrown@pahouse.net.

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