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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative Robert L. Freeman

DATE:

December 8, 2010

SUBJECT:

Proposed legislation - Main Street

I will be reintroducing former House Bill 102. This legislation would amend the Main Street Act to allow DCED to grant an additional period of up to five years for administrative costs associated with hiring of a manager. House Bill 102 passed the House of Representatives by a 186-6 vote in February of 2009.

Currently the act provides that the department shall provide basic grants for a maximum of five years per project for administrative costs associated with the hiring of a professional Main Street Manager. This is often too short a period of time for the Main Street program to be successful in revitalizing traditional downtowns.

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

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