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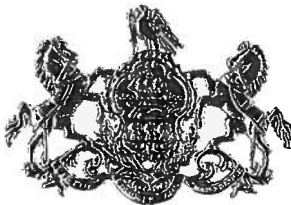
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**TO:** All Senators

**FROM:** Senator Don White *DW*

**DATE:** 12/9/10

**RE:** Co-Sponsorship – State Legislators’ Defined Contribution Program

In the near future, I plan to re-introduce SB1472 which will mirror legislation introduced by Representative Tim Krieger to convert members of the Pennsylvania Legislature from the present defined benefit plan to a defined contribution plan beginning December 1, 2011. Unlike similar proposals, this bill would make that conversion mandatory for all members, whether new or presently serving.

Despite reform enacted, Pennsylvania’s pension systems remain in great distress. By making this proposed change to the pension benefit plan afforded to legislators, we will set an example and create an environment to enact the broader pension reforms necessary in the Commonwealth.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Allison Dutrey of my office at [adutrey@pasen.gov](mailto:adutrey@pasen.gov) or 7-8724.

Thank you.