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To: All Senators

From: Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr. 

Date: November 22, 2010

Subject: Co-sponsorship – Prescription Drugs, Automatic Scheduling Change in Coordination with Federal Change (#13)

I will be re-introducing legislation, SB551, specifically targeting the growing problem of prescription drug diversion.

This legislation implements automatic scheduling changes for controlled substances in Pennsylvania in coordination with a proposed federal scheduling change. Automatic scheduling would occur sixty days after such change occurs on the federal level. This legislation would eliminate the very lengthy regulatory process that occurs at the state level once a drug is deemed as an abuse threat by the federal government.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this bill, please contact Sean Moll by email at smoll@pasen.gov or by phone at 783-0192.