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MEMORANDUM

DATE: December 7, 2010

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Robert W. Godshall, Chairman
House Consumer Affairs Committee

SUBJECT: Draft Legislation Package – (Insurance Fraud)

R.W.G.

I plan to re-introduce the Insurance Fraud legislation package, which will further curtail insurance fraud in Pennsylvania.

Insurance fraud costs the insurance industry more than \$95 billion dollars every year nationwide. Pennsylvanians pay as much as \$.25 cents of every premium dollar paid to fight insurance fraud. That is the reason for my seven-bill legislative package, which is modeled after Florida's highly successful insurance fraud law.

1. (former HB 1734) – An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes & Offences) and Title 75 (Vehicles) further providing for insurance fraud, for penalties relating to antifraud plans, for reinstatement of operating privilege or vehicle registration, for reports by police and for admissibility of department records.
2. (former HB 1735) – An Act amending the act of Nov 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, further providing for powers and duties of victim advocate.
3. (former HB 1736) – An Act amending the act of Dec 20, 1983, (P.L.260, No.72), referred to as the Public Adjuster Licensing Law, further providing for violations.
4. (former HB 1737) – An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921, (P.L.789, No.285) known as the Insurance Dept Act of 1921, further providing for powers and duties of the Insurance Fraud Prevention Authority and for the Insurance Fraud Prevention Trust Fund.

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5. (former HB 1738) – An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979, (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, further providing for issuance of license.
6. (former HB 1739) – An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921, (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company law of 1921, providing for antifraud plans; and making a related repeal.
7. (former HB 1740) – An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the PA Consolidates Statues, providing for insurance fraud forfeiture; and further providing for seized property.

If you wish to co-sponsor any of these bills, please contact my office by email jhugendu@pahousegop.com or phone 783-6429.

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