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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr. 

DATE: November 22, 2010

RE: Co-sponsorship – Green Buildings (#31)

I will be re-introducing legislation, SB728, which will require that the design, construction, and renovation of certain State and local government buildings comply with specified energy and environmental building standards.

This legislation will apply to any state funded major facility project and all major facility projects that are owned or leased by a municipality or school district. This legislation will require the Department of General Services, in cooperation with DEP, to develop regulations and adopt high-performance building standards. This legislation will apply to any State-funded new construction, renovation, and commercial interior tenant fit-out projects in which the building is larger than 5,000 square feet.

The purpose of this legislation is to promote effective energy and environmental standards for the buildings in this Commonwealth while at the same time, optimizing energy conservation in the state through proper building construction and design. This legislation would increase the demand for environmentally preferable building materials, improve environmental quality in this Commonwealth by decreasing the discharge of pollutants and would bring public awareness of new technologies that can promote healthier indoor air quality. It would also reduce state and local dependence upon imported sources of energy through buildings that conserve energy and utilize local and renewable energy sources.

If you wish to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Cecilia Boyer at [cboyer@pasen.gov](mailto:cboyer@pasen.gov) or call 787-1398.

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