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Memorandum

TO:

Members of the House of Representatives

FROM:

Representative Steve Santarsiero

DATE:

December 16, 2010

SUBJECT:

Co-Sponsorship Request (Former HB 2546 of 2009-2010): Prohibiting Certain Uses of

Government Resource

In the near future, I plan to re-introduce legislation that would restrict the use of Commonwealth resources for campaign activities.

As outlined in the proposed legislation, a public official or public employee would be prohibited from using government resources for any campaign activity. Consequently, it would be a criminal offense for a public official or public employee to use government resources to, among other things, gather signatures or circulate nominating petitions for a candidate; raise, solicit or contribute funds for a political party, public official or candidate for public office; canvass voters on behalf of a candidate for public office; or organize meeting or events in support of or in opposition to the election of a candidate. A violation would constitute a misdemeanor with a fine of up to \$5000 or a term of imprisonment not to exceed five years.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Kaitlin Mull in my office at (717) 787-5475 or kmull@pahouse.net.

Thank you.