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TO:

All Senators

FROM:

Senator Jane C. Orie

Senator Robert D. Robbins

Senator Richard A. Kasunic

DATE:

December 16, 2010

SUBJECT: PIAA Right to Know

We will soon be reintroducing **SB** 1135, which would place the Right-to-Know Law provisions regarding the PA Interscholastic Athletic Association (PIAA) within the School Code.

While the PIAA coordinates athletic contests between public/private schools statewide, as members of the PA Athletic Oversight Committee we don't believe that this non-profit should be considered a "state-affiliated entity" as defined by the Right-to-Know Law. We believe that it would be more appropriate to place the Right-to-Know provisions regarding the PIAA within the School Code where the PA Athletic Oversight Committee is already tasked with monitoring compliance with reforms contained in Act 91 of 2000.

The legislation would take the PIAA out of the Right to Know law while requiring the PIAA to adopt a records-access policy consistent with the Right to Know Law and approved by the PA Athletic Oversight Committee.

SB 1135 was sponsored by Senators Orie, Robbins, Kasunic, Alloway, Baker, Browne, Erickson, Logan, Rafferty, Tartaglione, D. White and Yaw

If you are interested in cosponsoring this legislation, please contact Kacie Morrell, Sen. Orie's Office, at 787-6538 or <a href="mailto:kmorrell@pasen.gov">kmorrell@pasen.gov</a>.

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