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Memorandum

Date: January 3, 2011

To: All House Members

From: Curt Schroder, Member

155th Legislative District

Re: Legislation to Prohibit Greyhound Simulcasting

As the new session begins, I will be introducing legislation to expand the prohibition on greyhound racing to include simulcasting.

Greyhound racing became illegal in the Commonwealth in 2004. However, the issue of simulcasting of greyhound racing was never addressed.

Under my proposed legislation, a person shall not transmit or receive interstate or intrastate simulcasting of greyhound races for monetary remuneration. A court of common pleas may impose a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 for a violation of this provision.

Currently, the Crimes Code prohibits a person or entity from holding, conducting or operating a greyhound race for public exhibition for payment. This is a misdemeanor of the first degree, punishable by up to 5 years in prison and/or a fine of up to \$10,000.

Please join me in co-sponsoring this legislation. If you wish to do so, please contact Carolyn May at 783-2520 or via e-mail at cmay@pahousegop.com. Thank you.