

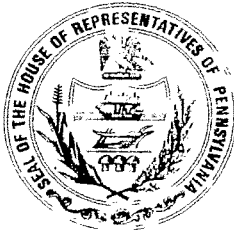
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Memorandum

Date: December 30, 2010
To: All House Members
From: Curt Schroder, Member
155th Legislative District 
RE: Proposed Legislation – Paycheck Protection

In the near future I plan to reintroduce legislation that would create a freestanding act known as the "Voluntary Payroll Deduction for Political Contributions Act." This legislation would require that an employer obtain written authorization from an employee before any portion of an employee's payroll deduction for union dues, or corporate deductions, could be used for political purposes. This legislation is intended to protect a worker's constitutional right to "freedom of association" by preventing situations where a portion of their payroll deduction for union dues or corporate political donations might be used to support candidates or political causes with which they disagree.

This proposed act would require an annual authorization for a political payroll deduction and would clearly prohibit the use of coercion, through membership or employment discrimination, to obtain such donations.

It is important to note that this legislation protects both nonunion and union workers. If you are interested in cosponsoring this legislation, please contact my office by calling 783-2520 or e-mail Heather Epler at hepler@pahousegop.com.

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