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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** All House Members

**From:** Representative  Joseph Preston, Jr.

**Date:** January 5, 2011

**RE:** **Co-Sponsorship of Legislation: Municipal Aggregation**

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In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation to permit local municipalities to become licensed by the Public Utility Commission (PUC) as electric generation suppliers and act as Municipal Aggregators.

Specifically, my legislation will amend Title 66 (Public Utilities) and Title 53 (Municipalities) to allow an interested municipality to adopt an ordinance to apply for an electric generation supplier license with the PUC. The PUC would license a municipality to act as a Municipal Aggregator of electric generation supply service for residential and small business consumers in their municipal boundaries. A residential or small business customer would have the right to opt out of the buying group and shop for an electric generation supplier or purchase default generation service from their local utility company. Additionally, two or more municipalities would be permitted to jointly act as a Municipal Aggregator to enhance and broaden the benefits of the program.

Undoubtedly, as energy prices continue to rise, it is important that we acknowledge the potential benefits of municipal aggregation. It is with this in mind that I believe this legislation will provide local municipalities with an opportunity to purchase electric generation service for residents and small businesses at a competitive price and provide lower electricity costs to their communities.

If you would like to be a co-sponsor of the above mentioned legislation, please contact my office at 783-1017 or Wendy Shearer at [wshearer@pahouse.net](mailto:wshearer@pahouse.net).