## MEMORANDUM

TO: All Members of the House of Representatives
FROM: Rep. Matt Bradford
DATE: January 3, 2011
SUBJECT: Automobile Airbag System Fraud Legislation

In the near future, I will be reintroducing legislation regarding automobile airbag system fraud, which is a public safety concern for consumers and the automobile insurance industry.

Specifically, this legislation would:

- Establish criminal penalties for fraudulent installation or reinstallation of an airbag, with more severe penalties for persons whose airbag fraud results in serious injury or death;
- Require that any person engaged in the business of purchasing, selling, or installing an airbag maintain detailed records of airbags that they purchase, sell, or install;
- Mandate that any person engaged in the business of installing an airbag submit an affidavit to a vehicle owner stating that an airbag was installed properly;
- Require a person repairing a motor vehicle to affix a permanent dashboard label disclosing that a salvaged airbag had been used;
- Require that police accident reports note whether an airbag deployed; and
- Require a person trading or selling a motor vehicle to disclose whether an airbag is inoperable.

If you would like to co-sponsor this measure, please contact Frank Iannuzzi at 772-2572 (Democratic extension 6628) or <u>fiannuzz@pahouse.net</u>.