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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL MEMBERS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

FROM: REPRESENTATIVE KEVIN MURPHY

113th Legislative District

DATE: January 6, 2011

SUBJECT: Co-Sponsorship of Legislation: Re-introduction of buyback of

Military service time for members of Fire and Police departments for Cities of the Second Class A (Former HB's 2324 and 2325 of 2009-

10 session)

In the very near future, I plan to re-introduce a legislation package that would remove the three-year time limit (after discharge) to purchase military service time that currently exists <u>only</u> in The City of Scranton, since it is the only City of the Second Class A in the Commonwealth.

This legislation would give Cities of the Second Class A the ability to offer their City employees the option to buy back their military service time without the time limit that is currently in place. The military separation time limit was changed for all other municipalities except for those within Class II A cities (Scranton). This proposed legislation would put the police and fire department employees on equal footing with their counterparts throughout the state.

In light of the police and fire departments' service to their communities, the City of Scranton and the country, I believe these changes are fair, just and necessary, and correct an inequity that has existed for too long.

If you would like to join me in this effort, please email Steph in my office at shardman@pahouse.net. Thank you.