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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Jane C. Orie
Senator Robert D. Robbins

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DATE: January 5, 2011

SUBJECT: Tax Credit for Employers for Hiring National Guard and Veterans

We will soon be reintroducing two bills providing tax credits to employers that hire National Guard Members/Reserves and Veterans.

1. The first bill (**SB 590** of last session) would provide employers a \$1,000 tax credit for each member of the PA National Guard or reserves they hire or that re-enlists. The tax credit would be capped at \$5 million per fiscal year. This legislation has the support of the Pennsylvania State Veterans' Commission.

SB 590 was sponsored by Senators Robbins, Orie, Alloway, Baker, Browne, Brubaker, Costa, Earll, Erickson, Ferlo, Folmer, Fontana, Kasunic, Logan, Musto, O'Pake, Piccola, Pippy, Rafferty, Tartaglione, Tomlinson, Vogel, Washington, D. White, Wonderling and Wozniak.

2. The second bill (**SB 591** of last session) would provide employers a \$1,000 tax credit for the veterans hired since January 1, 2011, who have recently been on active duty overseas. The tax credit would be capped at \$5 million per year. This legislation has the support of the Pennsylvania War Veterans Council.

SB 591 was sponsored by Senators Orie, Robbins, Alloway, Baker, Browne, Brubaker, Costa, Earll, Erickson, Ferlo, Fontana, Kasunic, Logan, Musto, O'Pake, Piccola, Pippy, Rafferty, Stack, Tartaglione, Tomlinson, Vogel, Washington, D. White, Wonderling and Wozniak.

If you are interested in cosponsoring this legislation, please contact Kacie Morrell, Sen. Orie's Office, at 787-6538 or kmorrell@pasen.gov.