

Senator LeAnna M. Washington 4th Senatorial District

MEMORANDUM

Date:

December 14, 2010

To:

All Senators

From:

Senator LeAnna M. Washin

Subject:

Co-sponsorship request - One Gun Per Month Legislation

I will be reintroducing SB 27 and invite you to join me as a cosponsor of legislation that would reduce illegal handgun trafficking in Philadelphia and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

My legislation is directed solely at illegal handgun traffic and would NOT restrict the sale of firearms to legitimate gun purchasers. If enacted, this legislation would help to mitigate the threat of handguns getting into the hands of criminals, children, or terrorist organizations with intention to harm.

In Philadelphia 50% of all crime guns came from just 8 dealers, indicating a strong likelihood of trafficking. Handguns are the leading cause of violent criminal homicide in our Commonwealth, and I believe we must act to reduce these very real threats while ensuring that the rights of law-abiding citizens who wish to purchase firearms are not infringed upon. I believe that this bill accomplishes this important goal.

To indicate your interest in co-sponsoring this important legislation, please contact Cindie Watkins in my office by calling 7-1427 or emailing cwatkins@pasenate.com.