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TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Rob Kauffman
89th Legislative District

SUBJECT: Proposed Legislation – Pool Fencing (Former House Bill 612)

In the near future, I plan to re-introduce legislation to amend the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act (Act 45 of 1999) to clarify the law in regards to the Uniform Construction Code (UCC) requirements for pools and spas. My legislation would make the law clear that a pool/spa could not be filled with water until all barrier/miscellaneous requirements of the UCC are met. The UCC has specific requirements for electrical/plumbing hookups and barrier construction; however, although inferred, the UCC does not clearly state that such requirements must be met before pools/spas are filled with water.

My legislation is the result of an unfortunate incident in my district where a child drowned in a neighbor's pool that was not fenced. I have met with a pool contractor and I believe this legislation is reasonable and will not cause the public or contractors undue hardship.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Elana Maynard at 705-2004 or via email at emaynard@pahousegop.com.

Thank you.