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## House of Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA **HARRISBURG** 

## MEMORANDUM

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DATE:

January 10, 2011

FROM:

Representative Gordon R. Denlinger

TO:

All House Members

**SUBJECT:** 

Reintroduction of Legislation

(Prior HB 902 - State Police Officers to Purchase Retirement Credit)

In the near future I intend to reintroduce legislation, which proposes to allow State Police officers to purchase up to five years of retirement credit for prior service as a municipal police officer in this Commonwealth. There are many State Police officers who bring valuable local police experience to the job. I believe that my legislation will further encourage this transfer of skills by enhancing pension portability for our law enforcement officers.

My legislation will amend the State Employees' Retirement Code to allow State Police officers to "buy back" prior municipal police service and to credit that service toward their retirement benefits. Under current law, members of the State Employees' Retirement System are authorized to purchase retirement credit for the following types of non-state service:

- Interviewing and non-interviewing military service;
- Certain out-of-state educational service;
- Community College service performed prior to 1971;
- Cadet Nurse Corps service; and
- Justice of the Peace service rendered prior to 1970.

If you would like to be a co-sponsor of this legislation, please contact Jesica Murphy at <u>Ilmurphy@pahousegop.com.</u>

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