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MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members
FROM: Representative Glen R. Grell
DATE: January 11, 2011
SUBJECT: Cosponsor Legislation – Prior HB 2169

Allegations of “pay to play” contracting and a lack of transparency in a number of our state procurement processes has contributed to a growing sense of mistrust in government held by many Pennsylvanians. In an effort to reverse this trend and make state procurement more accountable and cost effective, a number of House Republican Caucus members introduced a package of Procurement Code bills during the 2009-10 Session.

I intend to reintroduce one of these reform proposals – House Bill 2169 – in the current session. Under the bill, procurement information will be available to the public in accordance with the Right to Know Law. Additionally, the proposal will allow for public inspection of non-competitively awarded contracts prior to their execution.

You will be interested to know that this proposal passed the House in the form of an amendment to House Bill 2149 of last session and received strong bipartisan support.

If you wish to join me in cosponsoring this important procurement reform bill, please contact my office at 783-2063 or via email at lkoch@pahousegop.com. I would appreciate your support and cosponsorship.

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