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DATE:

January 11, 2011

TO:

Members of the House of Representatives

FROM:

Representative Patrick Harkins P. J. H.

SUBJECT:

Legislation to exclude certain charges in the Tax Reform Code

In the near future, I intend to re-introduce legislation amending the definition of "purchase price" in the Tax Reform Code of 1971, as it relates to the imposition of the state's sales tax.

Under current law, this definition includes delivery charges, and as such, the sales tax is levied on these charges. My legislation would remove the language relating to delivery charges from the current definition. I believe we should support our small delivery businesses, as well as protect the consumer from absorbing these costs in any way. This is identical to the language in House Bill 512, which I introduced last session.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Terra Heilman in my office by email at theilman@pahouse.net.

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