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MEMORANDUM

TO:

FROM:

Representative Tina Davis M. January 10 20

DATE:

January 19, 2014

RE:

Co-sponsorship of Legislation - Prohibiting Commonwealth Agencies from

Hiring Lobbyists to Lobby Each Other

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation to prohibit the use of taxpayer dollars by all three branches of State Government to hire lobbyists to lobby a sister-agency or branch.

The bill would be a freestanding act and would stop the practice of hiring outside lobbyists and lobbying firms that was engaged in by some State agencies in the past, including PHEAA and the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. State agencies have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars to hire lobbyists to contact State legislators. I am proposing we end this wasteful and unnecessary spending.

Please join me in co-sponsoring this legislation by contacting Debi Brady in office at (717) 783-4903 or dbrady@pahouse.net.