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Senate of Pennsylvania

TO: ALL SENATORS

FROM: SENATOR CHARLES T. McILHINNEY, JR.

Charles T. McIlhinney Jr.

DATE: January 19, 2011

RE: Co-Sponsorship Memo #1 – Keystone Care Prescription Assistance Act

In the near future, I will be reintroducing legislation, as part of the HealthNET package, to create the Keystone Care Prescription Assistance Act. This act would create an internet program in the Department of Public Welfare to assist low-income persons in accessing free or low-cost prescription assistance programs. This program provides a vital link in helping qualifying individuals who lack prescription coverage get the medicines they need through a program that is right for them. Many will get their prescriptions free or at low cost.

In addition, the Department would create a registry of free prescription drugs provided by pharmaceutical manufacturers that are made available to community-based health care clinics for dispensing to individuals receiving health care at that clinic.

This bill is identical to Senate Bill 335 from last session and had the following cosponsors: BAKER, TOMLINSON, KITCHEN, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, ORIE, ALLOWAY, PILEGGI, BRUBAKER, CORMAN, WILLIAMS, WAUGH, WONDERLING, EARLL, PIPPY AND SMUCKER.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation please call my office at 7-7305 or email Gail Reinard at greinard@pasen.gov.

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