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House of Representatives HARRISBURG

MEMORANDUM

To:

Members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives

From:

Representative Brendan F. Boyle

Date:

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Subject:

Ethics Education & Training (Former HB 2411)

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce former HB 2411, which would establish an "ethics education & training program" for members, officers and certain employees of the General Assembly.

As outlined in the proposal, the Leaders of the House and Senate would collaborate to develop an ethics education & training program of sufficient scope and duration to provide instruction and information on the content administration, and enforcement of particular ethics laws, including the provisions of Title 65 Legislative Code of Conduct, the Right to Know Law, and the Gaming Act. Members, officers, and certain employees would be required to participate in ethics education & training on an annual basis. This legislation would also codify both caucuses' policies that have been in effect over the last couple years.

The proposal would further provide for the appointment of an individual to serve as an ethics officer in the House and in the Senate. The primary duty of the ethics officer would be to facilitate the provision of ethics education & training in each chamber annually.

If you would like to join me in cosponsoring this important piece of legislation, please contact Kristen Womelsdorf at Kwomelsd@pahouse.net or call 717-787-3055.