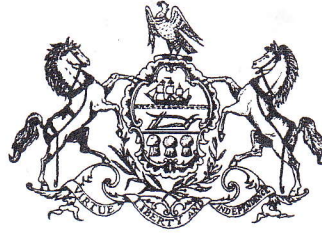


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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 11, 2011
RE: Reintroduction of Legislation (former HB 93)
TO: All House Members
FROM: Representative Ed Staback *ES*

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce legislation that would amend the PA Municipalities Planning Code to allow the governing body to appoint up to three residents of the municipality to serve as alternate members on the Planning Commission. **This proposal was introduced as House Bill 93 during the 2009-10 Legislative Session and passed the House unanimously.**

Presently, the Code does not allow for alternate members. Because Planning Commission members are volunteers and are not always available for meetings, this legislation would assist planning commissions in achieving consistent quorums and in avoiding backlogs.

This legislation has the approval of the PA State Association of Township Supervisors and is structured after the zoning hearing board, which currently may have alternates.

Co-sponsors of the bill last session include Representatives Belfanti, Benninghoff, Beyer, Caltagirone, Carroll, Creighton, DeLuca, Denlinger, Fabrizio, Gibbons, Grell, Grove, Grucela, Kortz, Kotik, Kula, Longiotti, Mundy, O'Neill, Pallone, Phillips, Siptroth, Solobay, and Wansacz.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this bill, please contact Julie at 783-5043 or by email at jfoley@pahouse.net.