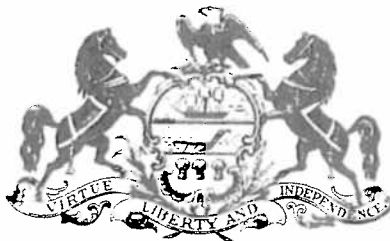


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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members
From: Representative Bernie O'Neill *BO*
Date: January 11, 2011
Subject: Homestead Definition - Former HB 1239

I plan to re-introduce legislation to amend the definition of "homestead" under Title 53 (Municipalities Generally). This legislation would include, under the definition of a homestead, a dwelling that is not the primary residence of the owner so long as the dwelling is not used for income generating purposes while not occupied by the owner.

This change in the definition of "homestead" will serve to encourage property ownership in Pennsylvania as property owners will no longer be denied property tax relief simply due to the fact they own more than one property in Pennsylvania.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Connie McClure in my Harrisburg office at 705-7170 or by e-mailing cmcclure@pahousegop.com.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this very important piece of legislation.