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MEMORANDUM

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TO:

ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM:

REP. MATT BAKER, CHAIRMAN

HEALTH COMMITTEE

DATE:

1-19-11

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED LEGISLATION: MEDICAL

ASSISTANCE/CHILD SUPPORT

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation to require parents to support their children. I know this sounds like something that should already be in law, but believe it or not, we need a bill to require it.

Currently, the welfare code is silent on the subject of medical support for children receiving Medical Assistance. My bill will require the non-custodial parent of children for whom Medical Assistance is sought to enroll their children in their own health insurance plans before the Commonwealth would pay for medical care for them. The Medical Assistance program would be the payer of last resort in these instances.

I urge you to join me in sponsorship of this memo. Please call Gina Strine at 772-5769 or via email at Gstrine@pahousegop.com

Thanks!