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Memorandum

TO: ALL SENATORS

FROM: SENATOR ELDER VOGEL JR.

DATE: February 4, 2011

RE: COSPONSORSHIP

In the near future, I intend to introduce legislation to abolish the office of the Lieutenant Governor. In the event of a vacancy in the Governor's office, the President Pro Tempore would fulfill the remainder of the term.

In the previous two administrations, the Lieutenant Governor's office has been vacated and filled without difficulty by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, despite holding both positions. Furthermore, by abolishing the office of the Lieutenant Governor, the Commonwealth will be able to realize annual savings in excess of \$1.5 million dollars. In these difficult economic times, we have been called upon to make our state government more efficient and cost effective. It is my belief that this legislation is step in the direction of fiscal responsibility.

Please contact Lindsay Raker if you wish to cosponsor this legislation: 717-787-3076 or lraker@pasen.gov.