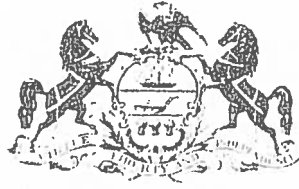


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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** *All House Members*

**FROM:** *Representative Mauree A. Gingrich*

**DATE:** *January 18, 2011*

**SUBJECT:** *Co-sponsor Legislation- Long Term Assessor Training*

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I am reintroducing legislation that was proposed last session as House Bill 311. This legislation, known as the Long-Term Care Assessor Training and Certification and Training Act, passed the House in the '03-'04 and 05-'06 sessions.

My bill will require the PA Department of Aging to develop a training and certification program for qualified assessors of individuals needing long-term care services. Currently, there is no uniform, standardized assessment process for long-term care assessments of private pay consumers. I believe that this legislation will help to ensure that only those entities that meet requirements developed by the PA Department of Aging for training and certification would be qualified to perform non-Options assessments. By ensuring a uniform, standardized approach, consumers can be assured of quality control by the Department of Aging.

In addition, this bill requires the department to develop and make available a listing of qualified assessors—such listing would be posted on the department's Internet World Wide Web site and through the local area agencies on aging.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this bill, please notify Nicole Foit in my office at [nfoit@pahousegop.com](mailto:nfoit@pahousegop.com) or 783-1815. Thank you.

**Previous Co-sponsors:** *BELFANTI, BEYER, GEIST, GROVE, HENNESSEY, HESS, HORNAMAN, KAUFFMAN, KORTZ, MAJOR, MOUL, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, RAPP, ROSS, SIPTROTH, STABACK AND VULAKOVICH*