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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Kim Ward

SUBJECT: Co-Sponsorship of Legislation – Notification of sexual offenders residing in nursing homes/assisted living centers/personal care homes - **Memo # 9**

I plan to introduce legislation that would amend Title 42 Section 9798, “Megan’s Law” to require that written notification be provided to nursing homes, assisted living centers and personal care homes from law enforcement when a sexual offender, subject to lifetime registration, is residing in their facility. Within five days of notification from law enforcement, the nursing home, assisted living center or personal care home shall provide written notice to all residents and their families that the sexual offender is residing in their facility.

The legislation is based on a 2010 incident where a convicted sex offender residing in an assisted living center sexually assaulted an elderly woman also living in the same facility.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Tiffany Price in my office at 717-787-6063 or by email at tprice@pasen.gov.

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