

MEMORANDUM

TO:

ALL SENATORS

FROM:

SENATOR CHARLES T. McILHINNEY, JR.:

DATE:

February 11, 2011

RE:

Co-Sponsorship Memo #16

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation that requires immigration status verification upon arrest. This legislation will require that an arresting law enforcement agency be required to verify, within 48 hours, through the United States Department of Homeland Security, the lawful immigration status of a person charged with a crime and held in confinement if verification cannot be made from documents in the possession of the prisoner or after a reasonable effort by the arresting agency. Upon verification that the prisoner is an illegal alien, the arresting agency must notify the federal department.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation please call my office at 7-7305 or email Monica Riddle at mriddle@pasen.gov.

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