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MEMORANDUM

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TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative John R. Evans, Majority Chairman

House Game and Fisheries Committee

DATE:

February 23, 2011

RE:

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

In the near future, I plan to re-introduce legislation amending the Pennsylvania Game Code and Fish & Boat Code respectively, to reduce the required overseas deployment time of Armed Forces personnel in order to receive reduced fee hunting and fishing licenses.

Currently under both Title 30 (Fish) and Title 34 (Game), active duty military personnel must be deployed at least 180 consecutive days to receive a reduced fee license. The proposed measures will amend each title respectively to reduce the required deployment time to 60 days so it may then also include members of the Air National Guard and Reserve, who are generally deployed for less time than the required 180 days.

The propose changes will affect hundreds of military personnel. By making the changes now, no additional legislation will be needed to account for any possible future cuts in the length of deployment assignments of our valued servicemen and women. These measures were shepherded by Chairman Ed Staback over the last two sessions, passing through the House unanimously, but stalling in the Senate. I am proud to sponsor this legislation and work in conjunction with Rep. Staback in moving these important measures forward.

If you would like to be listed as a co-sponsor of these measures, please call Juanita Hoffman at (717) 772-9942 or email her at Jhoffman@pahousegop.com. Thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

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