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MEMO

DATE: February 28, 2011

TO: All Members of the House of Representatives

FROM: Representative Scott Conklin

SUBJECT: **Special Occasion Permits for Noncommercial Public Radio and Television Stations**

In the near future, I will be re-introducing legislation that will amend the Liquor Code to allow noncommercial public radio and television stations to be eligible for special occasion permits.

Many noncommercial public radio and television stations use public events, such as wine tastings, as a method of raising funds. Under current law, noncommercial public television stations which are members of the Pennsylvania Public Television Network can apply for a wine auction permit. However, noncommercial public radio and television stations are not qualified as eligible entities under the Liquor Code. Thus, many of these stations face various difficulties when trying to obtain a special occasion permit for their event.

My legislation will make it easier for such entities to obtain a special occasion permit for their event.

My legislation will make it easier for such entities to obtain special occasion permits in order to conduct such events. If you would like join me in co-sponsoring this important legislation, please contact James Moser via e-mail at jmoser@pahouse.net.