

Senate of Pennsylbania

MEMO

TO:

All Senators

DATE: January 20, 2011

FROM:

Senator Lisa M. Boseola

SUBJECT:

Co-sponsorship of Legislation

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation to require any election to fill a vacant seat within the Pennsylvania House of Representatives or Senate to be held in conjunction with the next regularly scheduled general or primary election day. This bill would amend the state Election Code, and I invite you to join me as a co-sponsor.

Special elections generally experience lower voter participation than designated general or primary elections. My legislation would no longer allow for special elections that are replete with low turnout as well as added and excessive costs to the citizens of our Commonwealth. In these economic times, the taxpayer dollars spent on special elections could be saved or reallocated more wisely.

If you are interested in joining me as a co-sponsor of this important legislation, please contact Julie Carraghan in my office at 787-4236 or by e-mail at jcarraghan@pasenate.com.