RICHARD R. STEVENSON MAJORITY CAUCUS ADMINISTRATOR



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA HARRISBURG ROOM 315-J MAIN CAPITOL BUILDING
PO BOX 202008
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120-2008
PHONE: (717) 783-6438
FAX: (717) 705-1949

234 WEST PINE STREET GROVE CITY, PA 16127 PHONE: (724) 458-4911 TOLL FREE: (800) 287-0085 FAX: (724) 450-4104

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 7, 2011

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Richard R. Stevenson, Member

8th Legislative District

SUBJECT:

Former House Bill 1478 - Small Estates

In the near future, I will reintroduce legislation to amend Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, the portion of our statutory law dealing with wills, trusts, and estates, in order to raise the dollar limit in the case of small estates. Small estates are ones which can be settled without a formal accounting.

Currently, the limit for small estates is \$25,000. This amount was last set by the General Assembly in 1994. The previous limit was \$10,000, a dollar amount set by the General Assembly in 1974. I believe it is time once again to raise the limit.

If you would like to join me in cosponsoring this legislation, please contact Joann Drabenstadt at <u>jdrabens@pahousegop.com</u> or call my office at 3-6438.

Thank you.

RRS:jmd

PREVIOUS COSPONSORS: BAKER, CLYMER, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DALLY, DELUCA EVERETT, FAIRCHILD, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, HARPER, HELM, HENNESSEY, HESS, HORNAMAN, M. KELLER, KILLION, KORTZ, KOTIK, LONGIETTI MAJOR, MARSICO, MILLARD, MILLER, MILNE, MURT, O'NEILL, PICKETT, PYLE, REICHLEY, ROAE, ROSS, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, SWANGER, J. TAYLOR, VULAKOVICH, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD, STERN, D. COSTA, HALUSKA and HARHART