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APPOINTMENT

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March 11, 2011

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative Dick L. Hessel

SUBJECT:

Introduction of Legislation

Repealing the Monthly Sales Tax Remittance Requirement

I am introducing legislation that will repeal the monthly sales tax remittance requirement that was put into effect with the passage of Act 48 in 2009.

As a result of this law, after May 2011, sales tax returns will need to be filed semi-monthly for taxpayers whose total tax reported for the third quarter of the preceding year equals or exceeds \$25,000. If we do not repeal this law, Pennsylvania will be the only state in the country that requires two returns for one month. This is a considerable burden for our small businesses and for multistate taxpayers.

My legislation would replace the semi-monthly sales tax return requirement with a single monthly return to include both an estimated tax for the current month and a true-up payment for the prior month. This legislation will be a companion bill to Senator Pat Browne's SB 476 of this session.

Please join me in co-sponsoring this legislation by contacting my office at 787-7076 or email Barb Ramsey at bramsey@pahousegop.com.