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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**ALL SENATORS** 

FROM:

SENATOR CHARLES T. McILHINNEY, JR.

DATE:

March 16, 2011

RE:

Co-Sponsorship Memo #20

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation that prohibits certain governing bodies from restricting persons from using solar clothes-drying devices. The legislation would prohibit a municipality, homeowners association, or condominium owners association from imposing requirements that would restrict the use of clothes lines, drying racks or other similar devices. However, these organizations would be permitted to regulate these devices when there is a need to protect access to adjacent buildings, to permit emergency evacuation and to protect the aesthetic values of the building or surrounding dwelling units.

The legislation further encourages energy conservation and enhances energy savings. Encouraging the use of this type of clothes drying can be one method to help conserve energy by taking advantage of a viable natural resource.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation please call my office at 7-7305 or email Gail Reinard at <a href="mailto:greinard@pasen.gov">greinard@pasen.gov</a>.

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