



House of Representatives
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
HARRISBURG

To: All House members
From: Representative Brendan F Boyle
Date: March 16, 2011
Subject: Co-sponsorship of Legislation: Final Orders of the Insurance Commissioner

In the near future I will be introducing important legislation to assist the Commonwealth in its enforcement of regulatory orders issued by the Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth. It will also help the Office of Attorney General in its collection of monies rightfully due the Commonwealth.

At the present time, unappealed orders of the Bureau of Occupational Affairs within the Department of State are final judgments for purposes of the Judicial Code. Thus, the Bureau and the Attorney General are in a position to begin the process of enforcing that judgment, including the collection of any penalties and fines assessed by the Bureau. Unfortunately, this same provision does not apply to the final orders of the Insurance Commissioner.

My legislation will fill this regulatory hole and will give orders of the Insurance Commissioner the same effect as those of other state agencies. This will ensure a better regulatory environment and thus increased consumer protections for the citizens of the state.

If you would like to co-sponsor this bill, please contact Kristen Womelsdorf at 717-787-3055 or Kwomelsd@pahouse.net.