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March 29, 2011

TO:

**ALL HOUSE MEMBERS** 

FROM:

REPRESENTATIVE RON BUXTON

SUBJECT:

CO-SPONSORSHIP OF LEGISLATION

I will be re-introducing legislation known as the Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health Act (previous HB1200) in the near future.

Many public employees perform jobs that are comparable to those performed by workers in the private sector who are protected by the United States Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA). It is not beneficial to the public employee or the employer to continue to have two standards for employee safety. Several years ago one of my constituents, who was a public employee, was killed while working on a job site, controlled solely by the political subdivision of which he was an employee.

This legislation mirrors OSHA and applies to the Commonwealth, its political subdivisions, school districts and any nonprofit organization or institution currently not presently subjected to coverage under OSHA.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation you may e-mail <u>cschue@pahouse.net</u> or call my office at 3-9342.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Previous co-sponsors: BRENNAN, CALTAGIRONE, CARROLL, COHEN, D. COSTA, DEPASQUALE, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GEIST, GEORGE, GERGELY, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HALUSKA, JOSEPHS, W. KELLER, KOTIK, MANN, MUNDY, M. O'BRIEN, READSHAW, SANTONI, STABACK, STURLA, and WATERS

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