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Senator Richard Alloway II

SUBJECT:

Co-sponsorship Memo - Lights and Sirens Legislation

DATE:

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In the near future, I will be introducing legislation that would broaden the category of "emergency vehicles" to include any vehicle operated by a Special Agent, Special Agent Supervisor, Narcotics Agent, or Narcotics Agent Supervisor, while performing official duties, as employees of the Office of the Attorney General (OAG).

Broadening the category of "emergency vehicles" to include the additional vehicles, will allow these vehicles to use red lights and sirens. Scenarios where it would be of great importance to have lights and sirens would include:

- AOG Agents on official business making narcotics arrests.
- AOG Agents assisting the Pennsylvania State Police and local police emergency law enforcement operations.

The current lack of lights and sirens in AOG vehicles provide a definite safety issue for the agents.

The Office of the Attorney General provides a select group of agents to assist and protect the individuals of the Commonwealth, would you please join me in co-sponsoring this legislation so that we may afford additional protection to the agents of the Office of the Attorney General.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Melissa Knepper at mknepper@pasen.gov or by phone at 772-2929.