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POLICY

**DATE:** April 15, 2011

**TO:** All Senators and Representatives

FROM: Senator John P. Blake, Co-Chairman

Senator Richard Alloway, II, Co-Chairman Representative Scott Perry, Co-Chairman Representative Harry Readshaw, Co-Chairman

SUBJECT: Military Installations and Base Development Caucus

We are forming a bi-cameral, bi-partisan Military Installations Caucus to protect Pennsylvania's 164,000 defense-related jobs along with the bases and facilities where many of our citizens live and work.

The caucus will serve as an active forum for the General Assembly to <u>routinely engage</u> our state military and civilian leaders, defense industry business concerns, and our Federal Delegation.

## Our mission...

- The protection of 164,000 defense-related jobs and related economic development impacts of defense spending in Pennsylvania
- Working with federal leaders and our regional stakeholders throughout the state to ensure Pennsylvania's competitive advantage in securing US Department of Defense funding for facility modernization and upgrades for defense-related infrastructure
- Preparing and planning for future Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) activities

As Commonwealth leaders, we have a collective interest in this mission and we hope you will join our caucus. Please call Senator Blake's office at 717-787-6481 to join the caucus or e-mail Kyle Mullins with any questions <a href="mailto:kmullins@pasenate.com">kmullins@pasenate.com</a>.

