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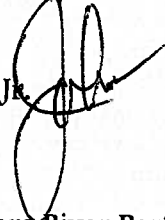


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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr. 

DATE: May 23, 2011

RE: Co-sponsorship – Delaware River Port Authority

I will be introducing legislation similar to similar to Senate Bill 1490, which passed the Senate last year. Senate 1490 addressed several issues that have been raised repeatedly concerning the Delaware River Port Authority (DRPA).

Specifically, Senate Bill 1490 required confirmation of Pennsylvania's Commissioners, other than the Auditor General and Treasurer, who serve ex officio; established conflict of interest provisions for both Pennsylvania's and New Jersey's Commissioners; and vested the Governor of Pennsylvania with veto power over the actions of Pennsylvania's Commissioners.

The legislation I intend to introduce in the near future will address several additional reforms, including the DRPA's rampant use of toll-payer generated funds for economic development purpose, which is wholly inconsistent with its core mission.

If you would like to co-sponsor this bill, please contact Sean Moll at 787-1398 or smoll@pasen.gov.

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