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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members

From: Representative Nick Miccarelli *N M*

Subject: Proposed Legislation – “Fair Health Care Provider Contracting Act”

Date: June 15, 2011

In the near future, I plan to introduce the “Fair Health Care Provider Contracting Act.” This legislation will enact fair contracting standards for physicians so that they can make informed decisions when contracting with the Pennsylvania Blue Cross and Blue Shield plans and their affiliates.

The contents of my legislation contain the key policies contained in several national legal settlement agreements reached by each of the four Blues plans in the Commonwealth with Pennsylvania physicians. This legislation will codify those important contractual revisions so that the Blues plans will continue to abide by the provisions they have agreed to under court settlement. Additionally, because these reforms have already been implemented by the Blues plans, there should be little if any additional costs or administrative difficulties associated with this legislation.

If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact Deborah Garger in my Harrisburg office at 717-787-3472 or via email at dgarger@pahousegop.com.