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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Tim Solobay

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'T. Solobay'.

DATE: June 20, 2011

SUBJECT: Co-Sponsorship Memo #33: Plumbing Contractors Licensure Act

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce House Bill 1141 of the 2009-2010 legislative session. This is a bill that I originally introduced during my time in the House of Representatives.

This legislation – which would be known as the “Plumbing Contractors Licensure Act” – would establish a series of regulations and licensure policies for the plumbing profession. A board would be established to oversee the regulation and licensure. The board would be responsible for promulgating new and existing policies, presiding over possible violations of the licensure rules, and overseeing any changes in rates or other administrative matters.

Under this measure, master plumbers who receive a license from the Commonwealth would receive the title, “licensed plumbing contractor”. They must be at least 18 years of age and procure liability insurance of at least \$500,000. Additionally, there would be provisions for licensure as “journeyman plumbers” and also authorization for apprentices. Licenses would be renewed biennially and would be transferrable with other states’ licenses.

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Rachel Moore at rmoore@pasenate.com or 7-1463.