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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: All Senators**

**FROM: Senator Tim Solobay** 

**DATE: June 23, 2011**

**SUBJECT: Co-Sponsorship Memo #39: Prescription Drug Donation Program Act**

In the near future, I plan to reintroduce House Bill 2251 of the 2009-2010 legislative session. I originally introduced this during my time in the House of Representatives.

This legislation would establish the "Prescription Drug Donation Program Act." This act would establish a board charged with launching a program under which health care facilities and pharmacies may voluntarily work together to repackage and redistribute donated drugs to applicable clinics. These drugs would then be supplied to eligible residents.

This measure also sets standards for the types and process by which these drugs are donated. Entities volunteering to participate must be approved by the board and comply with all applicable laws associated with safety and procedure. Pharmacies must also comply with inspection standards when determining the quality and legitimacy of drugs to be donated. Likewise, a set of standards are established for recipients of these prescriptions.

Additionally, this bill would require that stringent records be kept on the types of drugs distributed, the recipient and the clinic's processes.

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact my office at 7-1463.