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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative Dom Costa

SUBJECT:

Introduction of Legislation – Amend the Right to Know Law to Exempt from Access the Home Address of Public School Teachers and Employees

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation that will further extend the Right to Know Law exceptions to the home addresses of any public school teacher or employee.

If passed, this legislation would exempt from public access the home address of any teacher. administrator, staff aids and assistants, and any other individual employed by a public school district within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This exemption will protect a public school employee's right to privacy in their own home, and provide school employees with an additional layer of protect from potentially harmful individuals.

By prohibiting access to the home addresses of our public school employees, we can further protect those individuals who willingly give their time to our children nearly every day. Should you wish to join me in this legislation, please contact Maribel Echevarria at mechevar@pahouse.net or 717-783-9114.

AN ACT

Amending the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), entitled "An act providing for access to public information, for a 2 designated open-records officer in each Commonwealth agency, 3 local agency, judicial agency and legislative agency, for procedure, for appeal of agency determination, for judicial review and for the Office of Open Records; imposing 4 5 6 penalties; providing for reporting by State-related institutions; requiring the posting of certain State contract 7 8 information on the Internet; and making related repeals," 9 further providing for exceptions for public records. 10 11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 12 hereby enacts as follows: Section 708(b)(6) of the act of February 14, 2008 13 Section 1. (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, is amended to 14 15 read: 16 Section 708. Exceptions for public records. 17 18 Exceptions. -- Except as provided in subsections (c) and (d), the following are exempt from access by a requester under 19 20 this act: 21

+	(6) (1) The following personal identification
2	information:
3	(A) A record containing all or part of a
4	person's Social Security number, driver's license
5	number, personal financial information, home,
6	cellular or personal telephone numbers, personal e-
7	mail addresses, employee number or other confidential
8	personal identification number.
9	(B) A spouse's name, marital status or
10	beneficiary or dependent information.
11	(C) The home address of a law enforcement
12	officer [or], judge or any individual employed by a
13	public school district as defined in section 102 of
14	the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as
15	the Public School Code of 1949.
16	(ii) Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude the
17	release of the name, position, salary, actual
18	compensation or other payments or expenses, employment
19	contract, employment-related contract or agreement and
20	length of service of a public official or an agency
21	employee.
22	(iii) An agency may redact the name or other
23	identifying information relating to an individual
24	performing an undercover or covert law enforcement
25	activity from a record.
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27	Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.