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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** July 19, 2011  
**TO:** All House Members  
**FROM:** Representative Robert W. Godshall, Chairman  
House Consumer Affairs Committee  
**SUBJECT:** Co-sponsorship of Title 66 Legislation

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In the near future, I will be introducing legislation to amend the Public Utility Code (Title 66) to require moving companies that transport household goods to maintain a physical business location within the Commonwealth.

Moving companies in PA are regulated by the Public Utility Commission (PUC). Under current law, a moving company is only required to have a "registered agent" within the Commonwealth, not a physical business location so moving companies located in New Jersey are able to receive a certificate of public convenience from the PUC to provide service within PA. However, New Jersey law requires a moving company to have a physical location in the state in order to operate there. This results in movers from New Jersey being able to come into PA and provide service but PA based movers are not able to provide service in New Jersey.

My bill will require, as a condition to receiving a certificate of public convenience, that household movers maintain a physical business location in the Commonwealth. This legislation will ensure that only business that are actually based in PA provide household moving services to consumers. This legislation will not apply retroactively and will apply only to movers seeking a certificate of public convenience from the PUC after the effective date.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Jane Hugendubler at 783-6428 or [jhugendu@pahousegop.com](mailto:jhugendu@pahousegop.com).