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MEMORANDUM

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Representative George Dunbar

56th Legislative District

SUBJECT:

Collection of Delinquent Real Estate Taxes

DATE:

July 26, 2011

In the near future I plan to introduce legislation that would amend the Real Estate Tax Sale Law to eliminate the payment of unnecessary commissions where taxes are collected directly by the school districts and municipalities.

Current law requires that school districts as well as municipal governments pay a 5% commission to their County for the collection of delinquent real estate taxes although the school districts and municipalities may be collecting the delinquent taxes themselves. The enactment of this legislation would eliminate this requirement thereby increasing revenue to school districts and municipalities -- especially important at a time of significant financial challenges currently being experienced by these local governments.

If you wish to join me in cosponsoring this legislation, please contact Dana at 260-6132 or via email at dbentsel@pahousegop.com.

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