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Memo

DATE: September 22, 2011

TO: All House Members

FROM: Rep. Louise Williams Bishop, Chairwoman
House Children and Youth Committee *LWB*

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship legislation
The reporting of sex offenses against children directly to law enforcement agencies in Pennsylvania

On Monday, I plan to introduce legislation that would add a section to Title 18 which would prosecute anyone who has knowledge that sex offenses are occurring against children but fail to report the incidents to law enforcement officers in Pennsylvania.

I feel the earlier the child sexual abuse is reported, the better the chance of recovery and appropriate treatment for the child.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the legislation for review.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Heather via email at hwals@pahouse.net or by calling my office at 783-2192. Thank you.