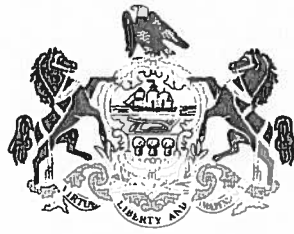


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TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Fred Keller *FBK*

DATE: September 30, 2011

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship Memo – Oil and Gas Well Pad Construction Standards Act

On September 14, I sent a co-sponsor memo informing you that I plan to introduce legislation requiring the Environmental Quality Board to develop standards for the construction of oil and gas well pads.

Under my Well Pad Construction Standards Act, the Environmental Quality Board must establish standards governing land clearing, excavation, grading, road construction, and well pad construction and stabilization activities, among others. And, to better protect the health and safety of our residents and natural environment, these standards must include provisions that enhance spill response and containment of any harmful chemicals or pollutants used at the well site during well drilling operations.

I have revised the language of the original bill, because I want it to be clear that this legislation and any regulations that are promulgated because of this would only apply to unconventional wells, Marcellus or Utica drilling.

I hope to introduce this legislation in the next week, so please contact *Sharon Jones at (717)787-3443 or via e-mail at sjones@pahousegop.com if you wish to be a co-sponsor.* Thank you.

A hard copy of this memo will follow.