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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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**MEMORANDUM**

*TO: All House Members*

*FROM: Representative Mike Peifer   
Representative Michele Brooks*

*RE: Co-sponsorship – DCED - One-Stop-Shop Online Permitting Portal*

*DATE: October 21, 2011*

*Over the course of summer discussions on job creation, the pitfall of bureaucratic regulatory red tape was a common theme among a variety of businesses, large and small. While government expects businesses to create jobs, it is constantly throwing up unnecessary roadblocks that eat up their time, manpower and financial resources.*

*In light of these issues, I plan to introduce legislation that would direct the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to develop a one-stop-shop online permitting portal. This portal would allow businesses to create a personal account where they can perform some of the following, but not limited to, examples:*

- 1. Submit appropriate permit applications electronically with electronic signature.*
- 2. Renew appropriate certifications, licenses, and permits.*
- 3. Make necessary payments.*
- 4. Track the status of applications.*
- 5. Allow for online problem solving and interaction with question/answer portal.*

*The appropriate regulatory body would still maintain their authority to approve the permits or other documents originating from their department. The Department of Community and Economic Development will only develop and maintain the one-stop-shop online portal. This portal will help to streamline and simplify a very cumbersome and time consuming process for the Commonwealth's job creators.*

*If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation please contact Barb Dysard in my Harrisburg office at 783-2037 or [bdysard@pahousegop.com](mailto:bdysard@pahousegop.com).*