

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Members of the House of Representatives

**FROM:** Representative Eugene DePasquale

**DATE:** November 15, 2011

**SUBJECT:** Co-Sponsorship Request – Amending the Right-To-Know Law

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation that will amend the Right-To-Know Law to include state-related institutions as organizations that must abide by the provisions of the Act of February 14, 2008, otherwise known as the Right-to-Know Law.

Due to the recent exposure of alleged events involving a former employee of Pennsylvania State University, I find it imperative that the Right-To-Know Law be amended to include state-related institutions as entities subject to its provisions. In addition to Penn State, Temple University, the University of Pittsburgh, and Lincoln University would be required to abide by guidelines for Commonwealth agencies set forth in Act 3 of 2008.

As members of the General Assembly, we must hold entities affiliated with the Commonwealth accountable for their actions and ensure that the activities of those associated with these organizations are legal, ethical and moral. This legislation will further our mission of providing the public with transparency and allow for the monitoring of not only the actions of Pennsylvania government, but also those organizations affiliated with it. We as legislators must protect the interests of the residents of the Commonwealth and their investment into the future of the Commonwealth. Please join me in taking another step towards transparency.

If you would like to join me in co-sponsoring this significant legislation, please contact Cynthia Clory at 717-787-7514 or [cclory@pahouse.net](mailto:cclory@pahouse.net).