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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 17, 2011
TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS
FROM: REPRESENTATIVE LOUISE WILLIAMS BISHOP 
SUBJECT: Co-Sponsorship Resolution: Withholding of State Funding to Pennsylvania State University

In the near future I plan to introduce legislation directing the General Assembly to withhold funding from Pennsylvania State University until completion of the investigation involving the university and its football program is concluded.

In lieu of recent events involving allegations of sexual abuse on the Penn State University campus I think that it is important that all state funding be withheld from the university until all implications of sexual abuse of children and the involvement of that abuse by the university, its football program, and its overall leadership, including the number of victims, the nature of the injuries and the type and degree of culpability is made clear to the public. To continue to provide financial support to an institution that may have had a hand in the long term abuse of children, is beyond reproach and I do not believe that it is in the best interest of the Commonwealth to continue to provide financial support to Penn State until the University has been cleared of all allegations of abuse or involvement in this scandal.

Please join me in this fight by co-sponsoring this important legislation. Please contact Heather Walsh via email hwalsh@pahouse.net or phone 783-2192 if you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation. Thank you.