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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Members of the House of Representatives  
**FROM:** Representative Rick Saccone *RS*  
**DATE:** January 5, 2012  
**RE:** Co-sponsorship of Legislation – Providing for a Moratorium on Court-ordered, Countywide Property Reassessments

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In the near future, I plan on reintroducing legislation that will call for a moratorium on court-ordered, countywide property reassessments in Pennsylvania. Our current system is inefficient and unfair to the residents of Pennsylvania.

This is an issue that has hung over the heads of our constituents for many years and from every corner of the state, they are calling for us to take action. My proposal will put a halt to any court-ordered reassessments, allowing the General Assembly time to properly address the issue and protect the people from any reassessments until we have had time to research and take action this matter.

In Spring of 2011, I introduced this same bill, HB 1696, and it originally passed 192-4. It was amended in the Senate, changing the bill from a statewide moratorium to one that was targeted at Washington County, which was facing a court-ordered reassessment that is estimated to cost \$8 million. While their intentions were noble, these amendments forced Governor Corbett to veto the legislation, stating that the amendments made it unconstitutional. I will be reintroducing the original legislation that I hope will put all of our residents at ease as we address this important concern our citizens.

If you would like to join me in sponsoring this important legislation, please contact Susan Peirson at 717-260-6122 or via email at [speirson@pahousegop.com](mailto:speirson@pahousegop.com).