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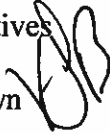

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the House of Representatives 
FROM: Representative Vanessa Lowery Brown 
DATE: January 17, 2012
SUBJECT: Changes to the Liquor Code relating to Cities of the First Class

In the near future, I intend to introduce legislation which would make a number of changes to the Liquor Code relating exclusively to cities of the first class, in an effort to reduce property taxes for homeowners and to protect first class city citizens from nuisance establishments.

Specifically, my legislation would:

- Establish the First Class School District Reduction Fund. On or before February 1 of each year, 2% of annual profits for the sale of liquor and malt or brewed beverages in a city of the first class will be transferred to the State Treasury through the Department of Revenue for deposit in the fund for the sole purpose of reducing property taxes.
- Allow the following establishments to operate until three o'clock a.m. in cities of the first class:
 - Hotels.
 - Restaurant liquor licensees.
 - Airport restaurant liquor licensees.
 - Municipal golf course liquor licensees.
 - Privately owned public golf course restaurant liquor licensees.
- Allows for the voluntary or mandatory employment of a deputy sheriff, at the expense of the establishment, for establishments that have incurred certain Liquor Code violations.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Takesha Latham in my office at 783-3822 or by e-mail at tlatham@pahouse.net.