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TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REP. MATT BAKER

DATE: JANUARY 18, 2012

SUBJECT: INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION – PREVAILING WAGE ACT

In the near future, I plan to introduce legislation to amend the Prevailing Wage Act to clarify that it does not apply to public works involving projects by or on behalf of entities subject to the Health Care Facilities Act as well as Articles IX and X of the Public Welfare Code including, but not limited to, hospitals, cancer treatment centers, nursing homes, and assisted living residences.

It is my experience that the aforementioned entities are often the recipients of state funds (i.e., agency grants, RACP, etc.) for various capital improvement projects. Unfortunately, due to the applicability of our state prevailing wage requirements, the costs associated with paying prevailing wage rates often inflate the costs of these projects to the extent that financial benefit of the state grant award is often negated.

If you would like to cosponsor this legislation, please contact my secretary Gina Strine at 772-5769 or via email at Gstrine@pahousegop.com