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MEMORANDUM

To: All House Members

From: Representative Mike Reese

Date: January 18, 2012

Subject: Proposed Legislation to Permit Consumer Opt-out of Smart Meter Deployment

I plan to introduce legislation to amend Title 66 (Public Utilities) to permit consumers to “opt-out” of having smart meter technology deployed at their premises during the implementation period defined in Act 129 of 2008.

Act 129 of 2008 requires electric distribution companies to develop energy efficiency and conservation plans and other programs to provide energy education and conservation incentives to consumers. The Act also requires electric distribution companies to deploy smart meter technology throughout their service territories according to a 15-year depreciation schedule.

Smart meter technology permits the transmission of usage data to an electric distribution company and to the consumer on an hourly basis. Although the use of smart meter functionality for purposes other than calculating electric usage is voluntary on the part of consumers, I believe that consumers should be able to “opt-out” of having smart meter technology installed at their home according to a government mandated depreciation schedule.

If you wish to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Candace VanScyoc via email at cvansycoc@pahousegop.com.