

MEMORANDUM

February 7, 2012

TO: All Members of the House of Representatives

FROM: Rep. Babette Josephs

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of legislation to require disclosure of "bundlers"

I will be introducing legislation, in the near future, that would amend the election code to require disclosure of "bundlers", people who can gather contributions from many individuals in an organization or community, and present the sum to the campaign. Campaigns often recognize these bundlers with honorary titles and, in some cases, exclusive events featuring the candidate.

The bill would require on each campaign expense report the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer, if any, or the principal place of business, if self-employed, of each intermediary, if any, and each person who has made one or more contributions to be delivered by the intermediary to a committee or candidate.

Intermediary would be defined as any person, political committee or other entity which, other than in the regular course of business as a postal, delivery or messenger service, delivers any contribution from another person, political committee or other entity to a candidate or political committee; or solicits contributions for a candidate or political committee where such solicitation is known to such candidate or his or her authorized committee. The term would not include spouses, domestic partners, parents, children or siblings of the person making such contribution, or any fundraising agent.

If you would be interested in cosponsoring this bill, please contact Jenn at 787-8529 or at Jbelz@pahouse.net.