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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Kim Ward

SUBJECT: Co-Sponsorship of Legislation – “Blind Persons Literacy Rights and Education Act” - **Memo #36**

I plan to introduce legislation establishing the “Blind Persons Literacy Rights and Education Act.”

This legislation is intended to ensure that each blind student in Pennsylvania receives an individualized Braille literacy assessment and appropriate educational services. In addition, the legislation will establish standards of proficiency and instruction in Pennsylvania and require certification of Pennsylvania teachers in accordance with Braille literacy standards.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Tiffany Price in my office at 717-787-6063 or by email at [tprice@pasen.gov](mailto:tprice@pasen.gov).