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## MEMORANDUM

TO:

All House Members

FROM:

Garth Everett, State Representative

84<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

DATE:

May 8, 2012

SUBJECT:

Legislation to Provide for Parking Meter Inspections

In the near future, I will introduce legislation that would transfer parking meter inspection and testing responsibilities from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture to local government units (i.e., city, borough, township or town).

Under current statute, the Department of Agriculture annually inspects thousands of the more than 100,000 meters in the Commonwealth. The proposed legislation would amend Title 3 (Agriculture) to require the testing and inspection of meters at least once within a 60-month period to ensure meter accuracy. The local government unit would perform the inspection or contract the work to a department-certified third-party who could charge a fee. Since local governments financially benefit from parking meters, I believe they should assume the responsibility for the administration of the program. This legislation has unanimously passed the House of Representatives in two past sessions and was most recently HB 1330 (2009-10).

Please join me in cosponsoring this legislation by contacting Chanin Zwing at 787-5270 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:czwing@pahousegop.com">czwing@pahousegop.com</a>. Thank you.

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