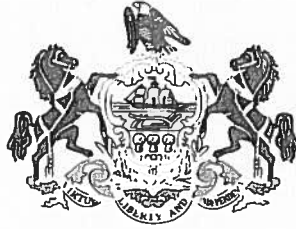


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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All House Members

**FROM:** Representative Kerry A. Benninghoff   
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**SUBJECT:** Criminal Fees/Fines in Pennsylvania

**DATE:** June 4, 2012

This afternoon I circulated an email containing information I have been working on with a gentleman in my district. This relates to the criminal fines and fees in Pennsylvania. These have not been increased since 1971!

Increased criminal fines and fees would give local communities an additional avenue to consider when balancing their budgets. Raising the fines/fees levels to 2012 instead of 1971 may also serve as a deterrent to those individuals who would consider acting out a crime.

Please take a few minutes to read over the email attachment. Any feedback would be welcome and appreciated. I would like to collect your thoughts by the end of July as I would like to draft legislation when we come back in the Fall.

Please email Amy Noel ([anoel@pahousegop.com](mailto:anoel@pahousegop.com)) in my office with any thoughts you may have on this subject.

Thank you!