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MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All Members of the House of Representatives

**FROM:** Representative Eddie Day Pashinski

**DATE:** October 3, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Co-sponsorship of Legislation – Clarifying Gaming-Funded School Property Tax Relief Notices

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In the near future, I intend to introduce legislation amending the Taxpayer Relief Act to better clarify the amount and source of school property tax relief.

As has become evident through conversations with my constituents, school property tax notices poorly explain the extent to which school property taxes have been reduced through proceeds of slot machine gaming. Therefore, my bill rewrites the notice of property tax relief required in Section 343 in a simple more understandable manner by highlighting in yellow the box that identifies the rebate and changes the language in that box from less exemptions to gaming fund tax rebate.

I'm sure we can agree that our constituents must be well-informed regarding the amount by which their school property taxes are reduced – and how the funds for that reduction are generated.

I hope you will join me in this effort to bring more transparency to our school property tax collection process and increase accountability for the tax reductions generated by our casinos. If you would like to co-sponsor this resolution, please contact Lauren Bordner at [lbordner@pahouse.net](mailto:lbordner@pahouse.net).