MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Members of the House of Representatives

FROM:

Representative Kevin Boyle

DATE:

January 7, 2011

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of legislation—Creating a Mandatory Five year Minimum Sentence For

Killing a Police Animal

In the near future I will introduce legislation creating a mandatory five year minimum sentence for any person that willfully kills a police animal. The current penalty for this offense is a 3rd degree felony and restitution to the agency or individual owning the animal for any veterinary bills or the replacement costs of the animal.

These brave animals can serve numerous functions within a police department including public order and enforcement, search and rescue, drug detection, and cadaver hunting. Please join me in supporting these brave officers by assuring that those that kill police animals will face a stiff sentence.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this important legislation, please contact Dan Green by email (dgreen@pahouse.net) or phone at 783-4944.