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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All House Members

**FROM:** Mark B. Cohen, Chair *MB*  
Democratic Human Services Committee

**DATE:** February 8, 2011

**RE:** Co-sponsorship of Pharmacy Audit Integrity Legislation

Your co-sponsorship is requested for legislation that would create a Pharmacy Audit Integrity Act. I have introduced this bill in each of the past two sessions and the Health and Human services Committee gave the bill favorable consideration in each but the legislation did not make it through the process.

This bill would specify the procedures of auditing pharmacy records kept by various health care entities including nonprofit hospitals, managed care companies, insurance companies, and pharmacy benefits managers. Among the procedures would be that the audit be conducted with a licensed pharmacist. Extrapolation audits which determine final audit results based on a sample size would be prohibited. An appeals process according to national industry standards would also be specified.

Introduced in 2007-8 session as House Bill 1798, PN 4347. The sponsors were: COHEN, ARGALL, CALTAGIRONE, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GEORGE, GRUCELA, HARKINS, JAMES, KENNEY, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, NELIO, MUNDY, MYERS, O'NEILL, PASHINSKI, PERZEL, RUBLEY, SABATINA, SHAPIRO, SIPTROTH, THOMAS, WALKO, YUDICHAK, KING, PETRI, STEIL, KOTIK, PARKER, WAGNER, MARSHALL and McILVAINE SMITH

Introduced in the 2009-2010 session as HB 882 the sponsors were COHEN, ARGALL, BAKER, BENNINGHOFF, BOYLE, BRENNAN, CALTAGIRONE, CARROLL, CRUZ, DALEY, DeLUCA, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, GALLOWAY, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HALUSKA, HANNA, HARKINS, HESS, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, LENTZ, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MANDERINO, MANN, McILVAINE SMITH, MICOZZIE, MUNDY, MURPHY, MURT, OBERLANDER, O'NEILL, OLIVER, PASHINSKI, PETRI, SABATINA, SCAVELLO, SEIP, SIPTROTH, STERN, WAGNER, WALKO, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD AND YUDICHAK

To co-sponsor the bill this year, please contact Linda Huntington in my office at [lhunting@pahouse.net](mailto:lhunting@pahouse.net) or at 787-3085.

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