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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the House of Representatives

FROM: Representative Matt Smith

DATE: March 2, 2011

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Legislation: Prohibition on Preexisting Condition Exclusions for Children

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In the near future, I will be introducing important legislation to implement the prohibition of preexisting condition exclusions for individuals under the age of 19. My legislation will track the National Association of Insurance Commissioner's recent recommendation on how this provision should be implemented.

My legislation will ensure that the Commonwealth's primacy over regulation of the insurance market and health insurers continues. It would basically reiterate the provision of the recent Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act regarding preexisting condition exclusions for children, giving the Pennsylvania Department of Insurance the authority to enforce the guidelines of the recent federal law.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Jamie Fetter at (717) 783-1850 or [jfetter@pahouse.net](mailto:jfetter@pahouse.net).