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MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Joseph Hackett *Joseph T. Hackett*

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship Legislation on Police Officers at Polling Places

DATE: October 6, 2011

In the near future, I intend to introduce legislation that would amend Section 1207 of the Election Code.

Section 1207 states that no police officer in commission and in uniform shall be within 100 feet of a polling place during the conduction of any election, unless to exercise his privilege of voting or otherwise called upon.

Under my bill, police officers, like other citizens, will have the right to work at the polls to support any of the candidates that are running in the election, so long as they are wearing civilian clothes. However, if they are in uniform then they must not be within 100 feet of the polling place.

If you wish to join me in sponsoring this legislation, please contact Amy Barr in my office at 260-6168 or email abarr@pahousegop.com.

JTH/ab