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To: Chair Ravel and Commissioners Eskovitz, Garrett, Montgomery, and Rotunda

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Subject: Legislative Report

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The 2011 – 2012 Legislative Session reconvenes on January 4, 2012. Staff believes it is important to work with the Legislature on legislative proposals that will further the purposes of the Political Reform Act (Act). Staff has discussed a number of ideas and decided to focus on possible mandatory training and other preventative measures for committee treasurers and generally more stringent regulation on independent expenditures. General ideas related to these subjects have been discussed and staff is currently putting together specific proposals. The proposals will be forwarded for your review and input as soon as they are available.

There are 14 “two-year” bills that affect the Act. These bills were introduced this year and did not pass the Legislature by the 2011 deadline, but may be considered in 2012. The 2011 bills that have not yet passed out of the house they were introduced in must pass by January 31, 2012.