TO: The Honorable Members of the Senate Intergovernmental Operations Committee
FROM: Kevin Sunday, Director, Government Affairs
DATE: June 10, 2020
RE: Support Regulatory Reform – Senate Bills 119, 251, 252, 253

On behalf of the members of the largest, broad-based advocacy organization in the Commonwealth, the PA Chamber encourages you to vote yes on Senate Bills 119, 251, 252 and 253 which are scheduled for a vote this morning by the Senate Intergovernmental Operations Committee. The coronavirus pandemic has clarified that the public and regulated community need a capable, effective and efficient government. Thus, a key component of our Bringing PA Back initiative, our member-driven effort to define policies that will aid pandemic recovery and rebuilding, is regulatory reform.

As such, the PA Chamber supports these bills – SB 119, which requires a streamlining of existing requirements when agencies draft new regulations; SB 251, which establishes the independent Office of the Repealer; SB 252, which authorizes the creation of permit-tracking systems and third-party review of permits whose reviews have not been completed per the agency’s established timelines; and SB 253, which authorizes agencies to designate a regulatory compliance officer to liaison with the public and regulated community on compliance matters.

As these bills provide transparency, accountability and effective oversight, please vote in support of this legislation.

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