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LAMB SETS RECORD STRAIGHT ON DYKEMA VOTING AGAINST COMMON SENSE REFORMS

DYKEMA WANTS TO RAISE YOUR TAXES

Holliston, MA ...Today Marty Lamb, Republican candidate for State Representative in the Eighth Middlesex District, responded to comments made by incumbent Carolyn Dykema during the Holliston Cable debate.

During the exchange Dykema claimed to have supported committee votes online, but said she wanted to make sure there was the technology to do it. The problem with that statement is that House floor votes are already online so the technology exists. The other problem with that statement is also her voting record. On January 20, 2011, she voted with the Speaker on Roll Call 11 against placing executive session votes online and Roll Call 14 which would have made public all standing committee votes public.

When you look at the entire Rules Debate vote, Rep. Dykema voted exactly as the speaker dictated. The commonsense reforms she rejected include:

- Requiring a roll call vote be taken on any bill that would raise taxes
- Requiring equal membership between the 2 parties of the Ethics Committee making it nonpartisan
- Requiring the Ethics Committee to file reports with Clerk on the outcome of complaints
- Limiting the ability to kill amendments with study committee votes
- Requiring 24 hours between a bill being reported out of committee and it going to the floor for a vote. (being able to read the bill before a vote)

At the debate, Dykema was given the opportunity to say her support for a gas tax increase in 2008 was wrong. Unfortunately, for the taxpayers she recommitted to raising taxes including the gas tax. As she said earlier this year, "Everything is on the table."

Dykema said the reason she supported the sales tax was to avoid a hike in tolls. That doesn't explain her vote to double tax alcohol. More concerning is that she voted against requiring the legislature to approve by a roll call vote all toll increases. Right now there is no protection for the taxpayer on tolls. Moreover, she has said on the record "Tolls are a good thing."

Dykema's tax record includes:

• Voting with the Speaker to kill an amendment to lower the sales tax from 6.25% to 5.75% (Roll Call 130 11.1.11)

- Voting with the Speaker to increase the sales tax by 25%, increased fees at the Registry and to implement a double taxation on alcohol (Roll Call 154 6.19.09)
- Voting with the Speaker against allowing Sheriff's to charge inmates \$5 to help pay for housing (Roll Call 82 4.27.09)
- Voting with the Speaker against an amendment requiring votes to be taken to increase tolls (Roll Call 51 4.7.09 and Roll Call 60 4.8.09)
- Voting with the Speaker against an amendment to gradually roll back the income tax to 5% (Roll Call 39 4.24.11)
- Presently cell phone companies have to charge sales tax on the amount a package costs even if it
 is being discounted. She voted with the Speaker against an amendment that would have
 allowed customers to only pay the sales tax on what is actually being spent (Roll Call 38
 4.25.11)
- Voting with the Speaker on a parliamentary gimmick to prevent the House from voting on making one weekend in August the permanent sales tax free weekend (Roll Call 93 7.27.11)
- Voting with the Speaker on a parliamentary gimmick to prevent the House from repealing the double taxation on alcohol (Roll Call 264 11/18.09)
- On 8.15.08 this is what she said about being fiscally responsible--"If you spend all your time watching the dollars you will miss out on opportunities"

Mr. Lamb, a Massachusetts native, graduated from the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law at Yeshiva University in 1985 and received his Bachelor of Arts from Hampshire College in 1982. He has an extensive background in real estate law, formerly with Adelson, Golden & Loria, P.C., Edward A. Sokoloff & Associates and Lamb and Browne, P.C., is currently with Lamb and Associates, P.C. He is a member of the Real Estate Bar Association of Massachusetts. An active participant in community affairs, Mr. Lamb sits on the Board of Directors of New England Region of United Synagogue and is a past president of Temple Beth Torah in Holliston. He has also served on the Holliston Elementary School Council and the Campaign for Holliston Schools. He resides in Holliston with Peri, his wife of 22 years and his two daughters Elissa and Simma.

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