It is with growing excitement for the upcoming 2015 Regular Session that I would like to share the committee assignments for the 2014-2016 term.

With the exception of a vacancy in District 6, we have the same Senate as the previous term. We have many Senators who have a great deal of institutional knowledge that has been a great benefit to the Senate. For this reason, some Senators are assigned to familiar policy or budget areas. Other Senators are being called upon to utilize their talents in new areas for the best interest of the Senate.

Within the constraints of a block calendar, I tried to give deference to your stated preferences and areas of interest. As I mentioned during the Organization Session, my goal is to keep committees smaller in order to provide Senators more time to meet with constituents and to delve into the important issues of the day. To achieve this objective, our five appropriations subcommittees will meet during the same block. Each Senator will serve on one Appropriations Subcommittee and will be expected to pay particular attention to the development of that budget area.

As we head toward the new year, I encourage all Senators to utilize our professional staff in order to ensure you are up to speed in your assigned areas.

The vast majority office and parking assignments will remain unchanged. If you have any questions regarding your office or parking assignment, please contact Debbie Brown.
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