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## **Council Member Palmiere Clarifies Legislative Process for Restaurant Grading**

October 6, 2014 – Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee of Allegheny County Council, John Palmiere seeks to clear confusion about the legislative process involved in considering the restaurant grading proposal on Tuesday’s agenda at the Regular Meeting of County Council.

“Due to a large volume of calls, I would like the community to be aware of the procedure that Council generally adheres to in considering legislation authored by the administration and Health Department. The legislation dealing with restaurant grading, which was delivered to the Chief Clerk of Council for placement on the agenda for Tuesday’s meeting, is a new business item on a first reading.”

President of Council, John DeFazio, will most likely send the legislation to the Health and Human Services Committee for review. Upon placement in a committee of Council, it will be discussed at a meeting, open to the public, and will be made available for a vote of either negative, neutral, or affirmative recommendation or could be held in committee pending further discussion.

Only upon being released from the deliberation of the committee will it be placed on the agenda for a second reading. When it is placed on the agenda for a Regular Meeting of Council for a second reading, it will then be available for a vote to approve. To approve the legislation the majority of members of Council must vote in favor (at minimum eight votes for approval are necessary).

For more information, contact Council Member Palmiere at 412-350-6550.