



# PENNSYLVANIA

## Budget and Policy Center

### How Gov. Wolf's Proposed 2015-16 Budget Would Impact Rep. Cris Dush's District

After four years of austerity budgets that made deep cuts to public services, public schools are struggling, property taxes are rising, and Pennsylvania remains near the bottom of state rankings in job growth since 2011. Gov. Wolf has proposed a budget that reinvests in our future by restoring funding for education from pre-K to college and delivering property tax relief to homeowners.

#### School Districts in Rep. Cris Dush's Legislative District Would Receive

- \$5 million in new funding
- 193 new Pre-K slots
- \$2 million in savings from standardized payments to cyber charters

#### Meanwhile, Homeowners Would Receive Property Tax Relief

- The typical homeowner in the district will see a property tax reduction of \$877
- That's a reduction of 78%

#### A Drilling Tax Would Raise Millions in New Revenue for Schools and Other Needs

- \$5.3 million for the district
- \$1.08 billion statewide

#### Gov. Wolf's Proposed Minimum Wage Increase Would Raise the Wages of

- 7,200 workers in the district
- That's 30% of district workers

#### Colleges and Universities With Campuses in the District Would Also Receive New Funding

- \$5 million in new funding for Indiana University

#### The Budget and Leveraged Federal Funds Would Also Support Investments in Human Services in the District<sup>1</sup>

- Human services funding increase of \$33,251<sup>2</sup>
- 1,055 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 109 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$245,714

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*The back of this sheet has school-district specific data on school funding and property tax relief. Visit [www.pennbpc.org/OTA\\_Budget](http://www.pennbpc.org/OTA_Budget) find full details on the data sources and methodology used to generate these estimates, as well as some additional information.*

## How Governor Wolf's Budget Proposal Would Affect School Districts in Rep. Cris Dush's Legislative District<sup>2</sup>

	Total Increase in School Funding	Decrease in Property Taxes for the Typical Homeowner	Percent Decrease in Property Taxes
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,869,884</b>	<b>\$877</b>	<b>78%</b>
Armstrong SD	\$1,531,869	\$1,195	76%
Brockway Area SD	\$207,824	\$555	88%
Brookville Area SD	\$362,326	\$643	74%
Clarion-Limestone Area SD	\$238,975	\$725	68%
Dubois Area SD	\$955,514	\$808	72%
Harmony Area SD	\$136,299	\$750	97%
Marion Center Area SD	\$346,572	\$964	71%
Punxsutawney Area SD	\$740,344	\$652	87%
Purchase Line SD	\$350,161	\$739	99%

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### Notes.

<sup>1</sup>All the figures in this section represent the sum of county totals for any county covered in part or in whole by Rep. Cris Dush's district.

<sup>2</sup>Human services is defined here as the sum of the funding increase for the human services development fund and homeless assistance.

<sup>3</sup>The total and percent reduction in property taxes for Rep. Cris Dush's legislative district are a weighted average of the property tax reductions for each school district. The weights were determined by the number of homesteads in each school district.