



# PENNSYLVANIA

## Budget and Policy Center

### How Gov. Wolf's Proposed 2015-16 Budget Would Impact Rep. Matthew Baker'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. Matthew Baker's Legislative District Would Receive

- \$3 million in new funding
- 89 new Pre-K slots
- \$1 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 \$865
- That's a reduction of 77%

#### 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

- 6,538 workers in the district
- That's 28% of district workers

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

- \$855,484 in new funding for Mansfield 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 \$9,019<sup>2</sup>
- 1,064 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 84 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$133,052

*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. Matthew Baker'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>	\$3,275,982	\$865	77%
Athens Area SD	\$710,009	\$894	77%
Canton Area SD	\$288,697	\$835	86%
Galeton Area SD	\$124,346	\$542	64%
Northern Tioga SD	\$694,701	\$972	89%
Southern Tioga SD	\$638,404	\$998	76%
Troy Area SD	\$512,656	\$635	84%
Wellsboro Area SD	\$307,169	\$855	55%

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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. Matthew Baker'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. Matthew Baker'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.