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How Gov. Wolf's Proposed 2015-16 Budget Would Impact Sen. Lisa 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 Sen. Lisa Baker's Legislative District Would Receive

- \$13 million in new funding
- 388 new Pre-K slots
- \$7 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 \$1,053
- That's a reduction of 56%

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

- \$21 million for the district
- \$1.08 billion statewide

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

- 24,370 workers in the district
- That's 26% of district workers

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

- \$51 million in new funding for Penn State (statewide)

The Budget and Leveraged Federal Funds Would Also Support Investments in Human Services in the District¹

- Human services funding increase of \$76,563²
- 5,519 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 436 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$974,060

The back of this sheet has school-district specific data on school funding and property tax relief. Visit 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 Sen. Lisa Baker's Legislative District²

	Total Increase in School Funding	Decrease in Property Taxes for the Typical Homeowner	Percent Decrease in Property Taxes
Total	\$13,285,700	\$1,053	56%
Berwick Area SD	\$909,719	\$821	70%
Blue Ridge SD	\$289,701	\$1,269	79%
Crestwood SD	\$434,011	\$377	23%
Dallas SD	\$274,029	\$454	23%
Delaware Valley SD	\$950,037	\$1,759	61%
East Stroudsburg Area SD	\$2,254,182	\$2,217	54%
Elk Lake SD	\$355,657	\$1,145	80%
Forest City Regional SD	\$212,739	\$980	61%
Greater Nanticoke Area SD	\$777,877	\$687	87%
Lackawanna Trail SD	\$306,940	\$1,133	58%
Lakeland SD	\$370,570	\$570	42%
Mountain View SD	\$338,395	\$897	60%
North Pocono SD	\$609,975	\$943	55%
Northwest Area SD	\$317,735	\$826	68%
Susquehanna Community SD	\$261,485	\$1,035	87%
Tunkhannock Area SD	\$588,811	\$1,062	55%
Wallenpaupack Area SD	\$417,764	\$889	51%
Wayne Highlands SD	\$479,234	\$1,014	53%
Western Wayne SD	\$427,856	\$1,108	38%
Wyalusing Area SD	\$375,577	\$674	63%
Wyoming Area SD	\$518,251	\$892	57%
Wyoming Valley West SD	\$1,815,155	\$936	70%

Notes.

¹All the figures in this section represent the sum of county totals for any county covered in part or in whole by Sen. Lisa Baker's district.

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

³The total and percent reduction in property taxes for Sen. Lisa 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.