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

- \$10 million in new funding
- 455 new Pre-K slots
- \$3 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 \$730
- That's a reduction of 70%

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

- 29,024 workers in the district
- That's 26% of district workers

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

- \$4 million in new funding for Bloomsburg University

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

- Human services funding increase of \$4,969²
- 4,424 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 354 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$109,393

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. John Gordner's Legislative District²

	Total Increase in School Funding	Decrease in Property Taxes for the Typical Homeowner	Percent Decrease in Property Taxes
Total	\$10,095,508	\$730	70%
Benton Area SD	\$158,947	\$1,013	66%
Berwick Area SD	\$909,719	\$821	70%
Bloomsburg Area SD	\$289,517	\$728	57%
Central Columbia SD	\$360,321	\$752	50%
Danville Area SD	\$429,226	\$189	58%
Hazleton Area SD	\$2,073,395	\$814	72%
Line Mountain SD	\$318,537	\$889	74%
Midd-West SD	\$585,504	\$1,011	74%
Millville Area SD	\$164,907	\$921	60%
Milton Area SD	\$630,735	\$824	74%
Mount Carmel Area SD	\$500,951	\$259	100%
North Schuylkill SD	\$643,273	\$686	83%
Northwest Area SD	\$317,735	\$826	68%
Selinsgrove Area SD	\$509,912	\$886	60%
Shamokin Area SD	\$701,256	\$205	97%
Shikellamy SD	\$897,142	\$993	72%
Southern Columbia Area SD	\$265,015	\$646	50%
Warrior Run SD	\$339,416	\$652	54%

Notes.

¹All the figures in this section represent the sum of county totals for any county covered in part or in whole by Sen. John Gordner'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. John Gordner'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.