



# PENNSYLVANIA

## Budget and Policy Center

### How Gov. Wolf's Proposed 2015-16 Budget Would Impact Sen. Randy Vulakovich'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. Randy Vulakovich's Legislative District Would Receive

- \$19 million in new funding
- 303 new Pre-K slots
- \$9 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 \$765
- That's a reduction of 48%

#### 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

- 20,814 workers in the district
- That's 23% of district workers

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

- \$2 million in new funding for Community College of Allegheny County
- \$15 million in new funding for Pitt (statewide)

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

- Human services funding increase of \$159,478<sup>2</sup>
- 3,323 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 282 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$3 million

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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 Sen. Randy Vulakovich'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>\$19,019,680</b>	<b>\$765</b>	<b>48%</b>
Allegheny Valley SD	\$146,122	\$675	34%
Deer Lakes SD	\$346,432	\$1,138	41%
Fox Chapel Area SD	\$260,611	\$974	26%
Hampton Township SD	\$278,926	\$911	28%
Highlands SD	\$700,192	\$1,175	66%
North Allegheny SD	\$529,208	\$804	21%
North Hills SD	\$492,047	\$708	30%
Pine-Richland SD	\$488,599	\$1,381	31%
Pittsburgh SD	\$14,895,172	\$555	69%
Shaler Area SD	\$882,371	\$878	33%

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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 Sen. Randy Vulakovich'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 Sen. Randy Vulakovich'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.