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

- \$14 million in new funding
- 452 new Pre-K slots
- \$6 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 \$1,233
- That's a reduction of 31%

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

- 22,228 workers in the district
- That's 16% of district workers

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

- \$1 million in new funding for Delaware County Community College

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

- Human services funding increase of \$90,315²
- 3,320 individuals newly eligible under Medicaid
- 409 more children will receive health coverage under CHIP
- Increased funding for mental health services of \$2 million

Gov. Wolf has also proposed that residents of Sen. John Rafferty, Jr.'s district subject to the Philadelphia wage tax will receive a portion of \$251 million in tax relief

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 Rafferty, Jr.'s Legislative District²

	Total Increase in School Funding	Decrease in Property Taxes for the Typical Homeowner	Percent Decrease in Property Taxes
Total	\$13,734,674	\$1,233	31%
Boyertown Area SD	\$1,072,390	\$982	32%
Coatesville Area SD	\$3,788,122	\$1,524	40%
Daniel Boone Area SD	\$731,233	\$1,809	50%
Downingtown Area SD	\$1,768,140	\$1,225	25%
Methacton SD	\$417,209	\$1,114	23%
Norristown Area SD	\$2,261,799	\$1,229	35%
Owen J Roberts SD	\$457,549	\$967	21%
Perkiomen Valley SD	\$585,577	\$1,380	29%
Phoenixville Area SD	\$731,674	\$914	23%
Pottsgrove SD	\$681,014	\$1,582	35%
Spring-Ford Area SD	\$755,295	\$1,216	32%
Twin Valley SD	\$484,672	\$1,059	31%

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 Rafferty, Jr.'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 Rafferty, Jr.'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.