

**TO:** Organizations Opposed to Senate Bill 76

**FROM:** Senate Bill 76 Sponsors

**DATE:** March 4, 2016

**SUBJECT:** Invitation to discuss “sustainable and proven strategies” for local tax reform

Republicans and Democrats don’t always see eye to eye on important state issues. However, a diverse and bipartisan coalition of lawmakers agree that Senate Bill 76 is the right plan to fix the school property tax system in Pennsylvania.

We urge you to understand the frustration of our constituents who, after decades of being promised real tax reform, have experienced constant roadblocks resulting in no action being taken.

In your memorandum addressed to Senators on November 16, 2015 you collectively state your united opposition to the bipartisan efforts to pass Senate Bill 76 and you affirm, “We recognize that school property taxes are a genuine concern for many across the Commonwealth, and we will continue to offer our expertise and assistance to develop a responsible approach to address concerns where it is most needed, using sustainable and proven strategies.”

We would like to take you up on your offer –

We are inviting you to a roundtable discussion with leaders of the Pennsylvania Coalition of Taxpayer Associations, a statewide grassroots coalition that developed Senate Bill 76, and sponsors of Senate Bill 76.

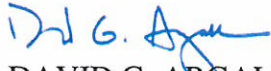
We ask you to come to the meeting prepared to discuss your proposals regarding school property taxes.

Many of our constituents cannot understand why Senate Bill 76 cannot pass the Senate. It is our hope that this meeting will provide an opportunity for a meaningful discussion leading to the successful implementation of local tax reform.

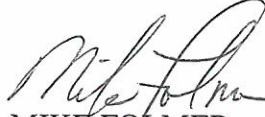
The event will take place on Monday, March 21, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. in Room 60 of the East Wing.

We look forward to our discussion on how to best address this key issue.

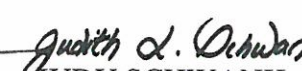
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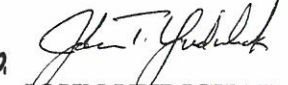
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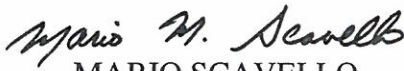
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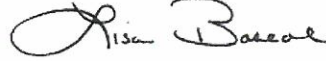
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ANDY DINNIMAN  
State Senator  
19<sup>th</sup> District

This memorandum is being sent to the following organizations:

Alliance for Philadelphia Public Schools  
Allies for Children  
American Federation of Teachers, Pennsylvania  
American Institute of Architects Pennsylvania  
Central Pennsylvania Food Bank  
Chester County Food Bank  
Coalition Against Hunger  
Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley  
Community Food Warehouse of Mercer County  
Education Law Center of Pennsylvania  
Education Voters of Pennsylvania  
Feeding Pennsylvania  
Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank  
Hunger-Free Pennsylvania  
Insurance Agents & Brokers of Pennsylvania  
Insurance Federation of Pennsylvania  
Just Harvest: A Center for Action Against Hunger  
Keystone Progress  
Keystone State Education Coalition  
Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania  
Manufacturer and Business Association  
Mid-Atlantic Community Papers Association  
NAACP Pennsylvania State Conference  
National Federation of Independent Business

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Pennsylvania Association for Justice  
Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators  
Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials  
Pennsylvania Bankers Association  
Pennsylvania Bar Association  
Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center  
Pennsylvania Business Council  
Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry  
Pennsylvania Coalition to End Homelessness  
Pennsylvania Council of Churches  
Pennsylvania Credit Union Association  
Pennsylvania Defense Institute  
Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association  
Pennsylvania Independent Automobile Dealers Association  
Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants  
Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association  
Pennsylvania NewsMedia Association  
Pennsylvania Principals Association  
Pennsylvania Restaurant and Lodging Association  
Pennsylvania Retailers' Association  
Pennsylvania School Boards Association  
Philadelphia Bar Association  
Philadelphia Federation of Teachers  
POWER (Philadelphians Organized to Witness Empower and Rebuild)  
Public Citizens for Children and Youth  
The Public Interest Law Center