

Use Your Voice and Votes to Demand Better Priorities in Harrisburg!



Instead of investing in our public schools, Governor Corbett and state legislators have chosen to provide massive tax giveaways to large profitable corporations and to send hundreds of millions of tax dollars in overpayments to charter schools every year. It's time for our state government to change their priorities and do the following:



Close the Delaware Loophole.

Because of a flawed state tax code, 70% of large, profitable corporations pay NO state income taxes in PA and 84% of large, profitable corporations pay less than a family of 4 earning \$30,000/year. By simply opening a PO Box in Delaware and creating a shell company, **these corporations dodge more than \$500 million in tax payments to the commonwealth EACH YEAR.**

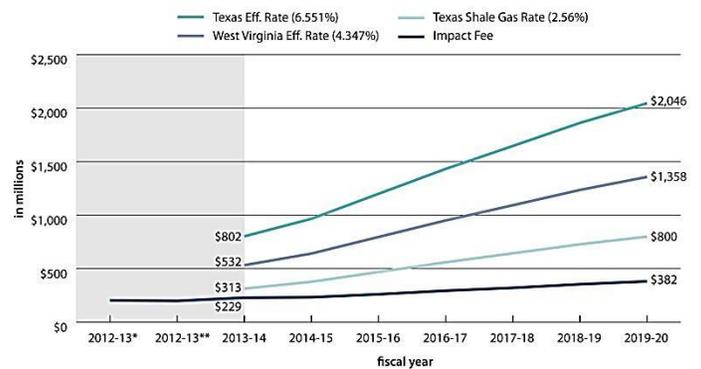
Small and family-owned businesses pay state tax taxes and individuals pay state taxes. It is time for Pennsylvania's largest and most profitable companies to pay their taxes as well. **Closing the Delaware Loophole would generate \$500 million in tax revenue each year.**

Enact a fair tax on Marcellus Shale gas drillers

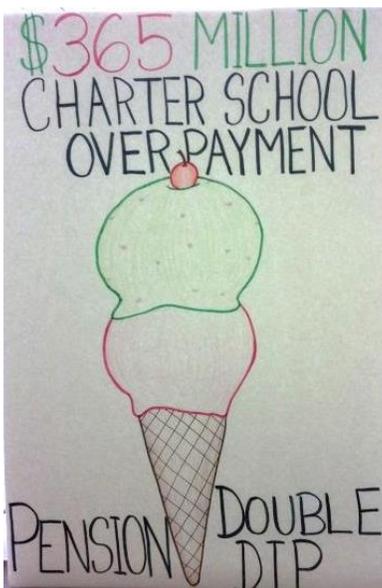
Governor Corbett and Harrisburg politicians chose not to do what every other major gas producing state does and enact a fair severance tax gas Marcellus Shale drillers. [Their choice will result in a massive giveaway to these corporations and a loss of billions of dollars in tax revenue.](#)

It is time for Governor Corbett and our state legislators to put the needs of Pennsylvanian taxpayers and children above the profits of natural gas drilling companies and enact a fair severance tax.

The Effective Rates of Natural Gas Severance Taxes in Texas and West Virginia Clearly Outperform Pennsylvania's Impact Fee



Sources: Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center calculations using data published by the U.S. Energy Information Administration, Texas Controller of Public Accounts, Texas Legislative Budget Board, Central Appalachia Regional Network, and the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.
* Retroactive Impact fee for 2011 due Sept. 2012
** Impact fee for 2012 due Apr. 2013



End overpayments and double pension payments to charter schools

[An outdated and seriously flawed funding formula](#) that Governor Corbett and Harrisburg politicians support **mandates** that our local school districts make tuition payments to charter and cyber charter schools that far exceed what it ACTUALLY costs to educate children. In addition, due to an administrative loophole in the law, all charter schools are paid TWICE for the same pension costs.

Simply fixing this broken funding formula would save **\$365 million in taxpayer money EVERY YEAR!**

YOUR VOICE AND VOTES MATTER!

Tell Governor Corbett and your state legislators that it is time for them to stand up for taxpayers and children and invest in our public schools.

To contact Governor Corbett and your state legislators click [here](#).

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