THE GOVERNOR

Notice of Veto

September 29, 2015

To the Honorable House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill 224 Printer's Number 2180.

This bill is the Public School Code bill, which implements aspects of the temporary General Appropriations bill that I recently received as well. As I will veto the General Appropriations bill, I will also veto its implementation.

This bill contains many laudable items that I support. Unfortunately, however, this bill does not restore the harmful education cuts imposed on each school district over the last four years, nor does it provide adequate funding to ensure Pennsylvanians have schools that teach our children. Simply stated, it fails to meet our constitutionally required obligation of providing a thorough and efficient system of education.

For the foregoing reasons, I must withhold my signature from House Bill 224 Printer's Number 2180.

Sincerely,

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Notice of Veto

September 29, 2015

Tan Wolf

To the Honorable Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 15 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill 1000 Printer's Number 1232.

The citizens of Pennsylvania want more than half measures, and they deserve better than the status quo. They sent us here to do serious work, to address the problems facing this Commonwealth, and to create a blueprint for the future of Pennsylvania.

This temporary General Appropriation bill fails to provide the long-term investment in Pennsylvania's future that this Commonwealth needs. It is an avoidance maneuver that fails to adequately fund education and locks in the same damaging cuts to human service programs included in House Bill 1192. For these reasons, I cannot give this bill my approval.

The people of Pennsylvania deserve a structurally balanced budget. They deserve investment in education and for oil and gas companies to pay their fair share. And they deserve relief from rising property taxes. In short, they deserve better.

I have come to the table offering real compromise, including a lease of our wine and spirits system, more than \$20 billion in pension reform savings, and significant cuts to proposed spending levels.

I urge the Legislature to come back to the bargaining table and to work with me to pass a comprehensive, structurally balanced budget with adequate education funding, a commonsense severance tax, property tax relief for Pennsylvania families and seniors, and a sound plan to create jobs across this Commonwealth.

For these reasons, I cannot support this bill and withhold my signature from Senate Bill 1000 Printer's Number 1232.

Sincerely,

Governor

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Notice of Veto

September 29, 2015

Tan Wolf

To the Honorable Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 15 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill 1001 Printer's Number 1233.

This bill implements the temporary General Appropriations bill by amending the Fiscal Code for the 2015-16 fiscal year. As I will veto the General Appropriations bill, I will also veto its implementation.

A partial budget fails to provide the long-term investment in Pennsylvania's future that this Commonwealth needs. As a result of the irresponsible budgets of the last administration, our schools and human services providers have been left without adequate funding, and Pennsylvania is facing a multi-billion dollar deficit and further credit downgrades.

The people of Pennsylvania deserve more than an incomplete and inadequate budget. They sent us here to do serious work, and we need a budget that both invests in our future and fixes our deficit.

For these reasons, I cannot support this bill and withhold my signature from Senate Bill 1001 Printer's Number 1233.

Sincerely,

Governor

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