



# Better Choices for Pennsylvania

A coalition for a responsible budget



## A BUDGET OF CHOICES

### Devastating Cuts vs. \$1.8 Billion in Tax Loopholes and Special Tax Breaks

PROPOSED BUDGET CUT	LOOPHOLE CLOSURE
\$550 Million: PUBLIC SCHOOLS Cut to basic education for 500 school districts	\$500 MILLION Close the Delaware Loophole
\$271 Million: STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER ED Cut to 14 public universities	\$200 MILLION Tax on gas drillers in the Marcellus Shale
\$259 Million: ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANTS Full day kindergarten for 88,000 students	\$235 MILLION Eliminate the bonus depreciation tax break
\$95 Million: STATE-RELATED UNIVERSITIES \$88 million cut to University of Pittsburgh \$7 million cut to Lincoln University	\$90 MILLION Postpone the 35% rate cut in Capital Stock and Franchise Tax
\$125 Million: HEALTH CARE FOR THE UNINSURED adultBasic health insurance	\$80 MILLION Close the loopholes on cigars and smokeless tobacco
\$259 Million: PENN STATE AND TEMPLE \$169 million cut to Penn State \$90 million cut to Temple University	\$350 MILLION Recapture 10% of Bush tax cut to top 5%
\$66 Million: LONG TERM LIVING Cuts to services for seniors and people with disabilities	\$74 MILLION Sales tax giveaway loophole
\$88 Million: BUILDING OUR WORKFORCE \$24 million in cuts to community colleges \$27 million in cuts to New Directions training \$30 million reduction in student loans \$7 million Industry Partnerships	\$220 MILLION Liberty Loan Fund
\$40 Million: VULNERABLE PENNSYLVANIANS \$24 million Human Services Development Fund \$10 million Emergency Mortgage Assistance (HEMAP) \$3 million adult literacy \$6 million autism services	\$52 MILLION Close the Amazon sales tax loophole
<b>\$ 1.75 Billion</b>	<b>\$1.8 Billion</b>