



FAIRVIEW FOCUSED

REP. RYAN BIZZARRO'S LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FOR FAIRVIEW TWP.



PROTECTING YOUR WALLET

Fighting for Workers

I have been vigilant about voting for budgets that don't increase taxes.

Workers put in long hours to earn the money they make, and even a trip to the grocery store can empty a bank account, so the last thing we want to do is add another bill to the mix.

The State House has passed more than 350 bills this session. We have geared most of these bills to helping working people and working families, because we know how much the cost of living has increased.

We tripled the **Child & Dependent Care Tax Credit** to keep more money in your pocket. We vastly increased the **Property Tax & Rent Rebate Program**, and opened the program to another 175,000+ seniors, widows, widowers and people with disabilities. We passed a bill to **eliminate fees** on vehicle registrations for **injured and decorated veterans**.

We focused on helping workers, working families, seniors and veterans because they are the driving force of our economy – and it's the right thing to do.



But perhaps you've noticed how out-of-town billionaires are bombarding residents with lies on TV and in your mailboxes.

We have not increased taxes. This is a lie.

I make dark money groups angry because

I stand in support of fairly funding our schools.

Some very greedy and powerful people don't want that to happen. Private for-profit schools and their backers are coming after Fairview and Millcreek school districts – but I am standing in their way.

I do not back down from a fight against special interests or their dark money – especially people who refuse to show their faces.



WORKING FOR YOU AT HOME & IN HARRISBURG

I take my responsibility to serve as your voice in state government seriously. That's why when it comes to making sure Erie County receives its fair share, I'm ready to go the distance to fight for our community.

When our schools need funded, when state roads and bridges need fixed, when entrepreneurs need a hand in starting up a local business that provides better-paying jobs in our hometowns, when nonprofits need money to perform upgrades – my team and I go the extra mile to make sure Erie can reach its potential.

During the 2023-24 legislative session, my team and I have helped secure more than \$59.5 million for Erie County projects through June.

Passing laws that help my hometown is also an important aspect of my job. In Harrisburg, these are just a couple of the measures we have delivered for you during this session:

- ✓ Funding 911.
- ✓ Cheaper prescriptions for seniors.
- ✓ Improved cancer screenings.
- ✓ Created student teacher stipends; passed teacher pipeline initiatives.
- ✓ Pass Patient Safety Act to protect nurses and patients.
- ✓ Save taxpayers \$530 million through cyber charter school reform.
- ✓ Remove funding burdens from local taxes through reforms & proper school funding.
- ✓ Lower Corporate Net Income Tax to attract more jobs to PA.
- ✓ Protect workers and end corporate tax fraud, so workers earn what they are owed.
- ✓ Reform law so PA public workers have OSHA protections.
- ✓ Increase fines for companies who violate Child Labor Act.

This is just some of what we've delivered for you:

- ✓ Bizzarro touts \$835K grant to improve public safety
- ✓ Bizzarro: \$720K headed to first responders
- ✓ Bizzarro: \$455,891 approved for school safety
- ✓ Bizzarro: \$200K awarded to law enforcement



LEGISLATIVE PROGRESS REPORT 2023-2024

LEGISLATION

- INTRODUCED
19 BILLS
2 RESOLUTIONS
- CO-SPONSORED
33 BILLS
- PASSED THE HOUSE
10 BILLS AUTHORED/
CO-SPONSORED

REPRESENTATIVE RYAN BIZZARRO

- \$59.5+ MILLION**
IN 2023-24
BROUGHT HOME IN STATE
INVESTMENTS FOR REGION
- 40,000+**
PROJECTED CASEWORK IN 2023-24
- \$2.5+ MILLION**
IN 2024 ALONE
- 800**
PROJECTED RESOLVED
UNEMPLOYMENT
COMPENSATION CLAIMS
- 1,200+**
PROJECTED FILED PROPERTY
TAX & RENT REBATES IN 2024
- 45,000+**
PROJECTED SERVICES
PROVIDED 2023-24

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

Service You Deserve

This year, my team and I are on pace to surpass last year's total for:

- ✓ Property Tax/Rent Rebates.
- ✓ Unemployment Compensation.
- ✓ PennDOT services.

Thank you for continuing to trust my team and I to provide the service you deserve!

WAYS WE CAN HELP!

Getting the answers you need

One of the most important aspects of my job is helping you get the most out of state government. Here are just a handful of ways my office can help:

- ✓ Unemployment or the PUA system.
- ✓ FREE notary (excludes title transfers).
- ✓ Property Tax/Rent Rebates.
- ✓ Voter registration and vote by mail.
- ✓ Problems with Department of Human Services.
- ✓ Car registrations, special tags, disability placards, titles and driver's license applications.
- ✓ Obtaining and completing state forms of all kinds.
- ✓ Pennsylvania income tax questions or problems.
- ✓ Complaints or questions about utilities and the Public Utility Commission.
- ✓ Complaints or questions about insurance companies.
- ✓ Renewal of state-issued licenses or certifications.
- ✓ PACE cards for senior citizens.
- ✓ Problems or questions about the state lottery.
- ✓ Consumer complaints.

For more information, call **814-835-2880**.



VETERANS ASSISTANCE



A Veteran Service Officer from the VFW will be onsite for appointments.

THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
10 AM - 2 PM

📍 1101 Peninsula Drive, Suite 213 📞 (814) 835-2880



Veterans may be assisted with:

- ★ Compensation + Pension Claims
- ★ Education Benefits
- ★ Enrollment in the VA Health Care System
- ★ Burial + Survivor Benefits
- ★ State Benefits
- ★ Obtaining Military Personnel + Medical Records



OFFICE INFORMATION

My dedicated office staff is waiting to help you navigate state services and programs! Here's how you can get in touch with my team.

Millcreek Office:

Peninsula Plaza
1101 Peninsula Drive, Suite 213
Erie, PA 16505-4169
814-835-2880
Mon. – Fri., 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Fairview Hours:

Every Wednesday:
Fairview Township Building
7471 McCray Road
Fairview, PA 16415-2401

MAKING CERTAIN OUR REGION HAS A VOICE

Amplifying local voices at state level!

I continue to use my position in leadership in the House to help amplify the needs here at home. When advocates, schools, nonprofits, colleges, union leaders and local businesses have an issue at the state level, they come to me – because I make sure they have a spot at the table.

If there's an Erie connection, for instance with Pennsylvania AFL-CIO President Angela Ferritto, we work to make sure we can work together to help the people back home.

Whether it's making a phone call on their behalf or writing a letter of support to Gov. Shapiro, I have never forgotten where I came from or where I call my home. When it comes to Fairview and Millcreek townships, I am the biggest cheerleader and fighter looking out for our region.

So far this legislative session, my team and I have helped bring back **\$59.5 million** to our region. Every state dollar we bring back to our region is **one less dollar that needs to be paid in property taxes**.

We are also cracking down on lavish spending by cyber charter schools, saving taxpayers a half billion dollars.

Fairview annually has one of the top performing schools in the state, and I plan on helping keep it that way – **refusing to let Harrisburg and Philadelphia big wigs siphon off taxpayer dollars from our local high-performing schools.**



A VOICE OF REASON

Changing policies to help YOU!

Special interest groups continue to lie about what's happening in Harrisburg. We continue to have the most productive House session, passing substantial legislation that can **change lives for the better** – including bills to increase wages and crack down on price fixing.

Under new leadership this session, the House is passing measures that **DO NOT RAISE TAXES**, help **KEEP MORE MONEY IN YOUR POCKET**, improve our transportation options, make sure workers get paid what they deserve and earn, improve our schools, and make our neighborhoods safer.

We are here to work and **HELP YOU!**

As the House Majority Policy Chairman, I am a member of the House Majority Leadership team.

The Policy Committee travels the state to host hearings and roundtable discussions with members of the House. We tour businesses to learn more about PA's workforce needs.

Policy changes can have negative and positive effects on people, sometimes upending lives, so we are diligent in doing our homework to help fix problems.

We listen to workers, business owners, victims, advocates, survivors, taxpayers, executives, experts and professionals, all so that the members of the House can **hear directly from the people on the front lines**.

Through June we have hosted **28 events across 17 different ZIP codes**, and we expect to once again be busy throughout the summer traveling the state. We are on pace to again host 50+ events this year.

Policy wins in 2023-24:

- ✓ Providing our schools with the funding they need, improving the teacher pipeline through measures like the student teacher stipend and **Grow Your Own Educators** bill.
- ✓ Passing the first **minimum wage hike** in more than a decade.
- ✓ Improving **worker protections** to help keep you safe on the job.
- ✓ Passing the first cost-of-living **adjustment for retired teachers** in their 80s who have never received one.
- ✓ House passage of the **Patient Safety Act** to ensure patients have adequate care and nurses aren't overburdened with an overwhelming number of patients.
- ✓ Providing oversight and reforms to **end lavish spending** by cyber charter schools, which have used taxpayer dollars to purchase TV ads and take children to professional sporting events under the guise of education.
- ✓ Passing **Keystone Saves Retirement Accounts** to remove a major burden off small business owners and allow employees to create their own retirement plans at no cost to taxpayers.



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SAVE THE DATE!

My Senior Fair returns in August

We annually welcome about 1,000 seniors and their families to my Senior Fair. We have information on veterans services, senior services and local businesses. We are joined by nonprofits and organizations.

- ✓ We have giveaways.
- ✓ We have entertainment.

And it's all FREE.



REP. RYAN BIZZARRO'S
SENIOR
Fair

Monday, August 19
9 AM - 12 PM

Zem Zem Shrine Club
 2525 West 38th Street | Erie

Entertainment • Info for Seniors
 Giveaways • Vendors & Organizations

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