

State Representative | 38th Legislative District

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#### Dear Neighbor,

My second term as your state representative has been even more productive than my first-I've made great progress over the past several months on legislation to move Pennsylvania forward. I am so grateful for the opportunity to represent our corner of Allegheny County in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

I'm incredibly proud of everything my team and I have done to help our communities, especially the tens of millions of tax dollars I've helped bring back to our boroughs and school districts through state grants. However, much more work remains to be done, and I'm eager to continue working for you throughout the 2023-24 legislative session.

Last fall, my Allegheny County colleagues in the House unanimously elected me to serve as the new chairman of the Allegheny County House Democratic Delegation. I am beyond honored to receive the unanimous support of all my Allegheny County colleagues, who represent a wide variety of lived experiences, personal backgrounds, and legislative goals to lead our collective efforts toward improving the lives of county residents. However, my top priority will always be representing the interests of residents in the 38th Legislative District.

What issues are important to you? Please let me know by contacting my district office by phone at (412) 466-1940 or by email at RepPisciottano@pahouse.net. As your state representative, I am eager to hear your thoughts and assist you with any state-related matter.

Yours in Service.



## **DELIVERING RESULTS**



I'm proud to report that my team and I helped bring

#### **\$10.4 MILLION**

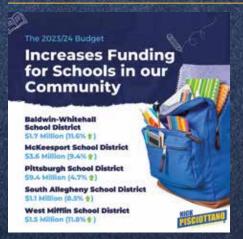
in tax dollars back to local

communities through state grants in 2022, including:

- \$5.2 million to support career preparation programs, including a complete infrastructure renovation at the Steel Center for Career and Technical **Education**
- \$1.3 million to improve local infrastructure, including major upgrades to pedestrian crossings, traffic signals, and bus stops along Route 837.
- More than \$1 million to strengthen public schools, in addition to the historic \$10.6 million funding increase secured in the state budget for schools in the 38th Legislative District.
- More than \$830,000 to support local first responders who keep our communities safe.

So far in 2023, nearly \$1.4 MILLION in state grants has been awarded to support projects across the 38th Legislative District - and I'm working hard to bring home much more.

Visit **RepNickPisciottano.com** to see more details on state grants I've helped secure.



I was proud to support the 2023-24 budget, especially with the increases to education funding here in our district. One of my top priorities is lowering the property tax burden while not sacrificing quality educational outcomes for students, and the best way Harrisburg can do this is to provide school districts more funding. This increase of \$17.3 million is just the start, and I will continue to advocate for our students, teachers, and taxpayers in future budgets.

I'm proud to have one of the highest success rates on getting legislation passed through the House. I've done so by offering pragmatic and straightforward legislation that accomplishes practical, meaningful changes for Pennsylvanians.

# EXPANDING THE PROPERTY TAX/RENT REBATE PROGRAM



In 2023, my office has helped over 1,200 constituents get a rebate on property taxes or rent they already paid. In 2024, even more people will be eligible for an even bigger rebate.

Homeowners Income	This Year	Next Year
Up to \$8K	\$650	\$1,000
Up to \$15K	\$500	<b>\$77</b> 0
Up to \$18K	\$300	\$460
Up to \$35K	\$250	\$380
Up to \$45K	<b>\$0</b>	\$380
Renter Income	<b>This Year</b>	<b>Next Year</b>
Up to \$8K	\$650	\$1,000
Up to \$15K	\$500	<b>\$770</b>
Up to \$18K	<b>\$0</b>	\$460
Up to \$45K	<b>\$0</b>	\$380

Even if you haven't been eligible in the past, please come see us next year to see if you qualify under the new program.

# INCREASING PENSIONS FOR PENNSYLVANIA VETERANS

## **HOUSE BILL 1091**

Passed unanimously out of the House Veterans Affairs & Emergency Preparedness Committee on May 23

One bill that I'm especially proud to have introduced is H.B. 1091, which would increase monthly payments made to Pennsylvania veterans who are blind or amputees. This would be the first payment increase for these veterans since 1999.

Special thanks to the bill's other co-prime sponsors, Rep. Dan Williams and Rep. Jim Gregory, for helping get this bill approved unanimously by the House Veteran's Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee.



## MONTHLY VETERANS OUTREACH AT MY DISTRICT OFFICE

Once a month, my office hosts Stephen Schott from the American Legion to help veterans access services they may be eligible for.

If you know a veteran in need, have them contact my office to get more information about our next outreach event. 3563 Mountain View Dr. | West Mifflin, PA 15122 | (412) 466-1940 | RepPisciottano@pahouse.net

# FIGHTING FOR AN ECONOMY THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE

Updates on my latest legislative efforts in Harrisburg.

# ENSHRINING THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE INTO THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTION

#### House Bill 950

Passed the House with a vote of 102-99 on May 3
By standing together, workers have been able to build a better life for their families and create a stronger Pennsylvania for everyone.
Currently, the Pennsylvania Constitution does not guarantee workers the right to organize and collectively bargain – H.B. 950 would finally change that.



# PROTECTING MOTORCYCLE BUYERS

#### House Bill 360

Passed the House unanimously on May 1
Motorcycle buyers deserve the
same protection from faulty products
afforded to car buyers, and this bill
simply would extend the existing
Automobile Lemon Law to do exactly
that.



## MODERNIZING WORKERS' COMPENSATION

#### House Bill 760

Passed the House with a vote of 114-86 on May 2 In Pennsylvania, the workers' compensation system is still dependent on mailing physical checks, leaving these payments vulnerable to delays or misplacement. This bill would update the unemployment compensation system by providing working Pennsylvanians injured on the job options to receive their benefits via direct deposit.



Special thanks to my friend and former colleague Pam Snyder, who originally authored this bill.

I know that getting anything done in Harrisburg requires working across the aisle and I am especially proud that all three of the bills above passed the House with bipartisan support.

#### **ENDING JUNK FEES**

#### House Bill 636

Referred to the House Consumer Protection, Technology and Utilities Committee

Consumers despise hidden or 'junk' fees that companies like Ticketmaster tack on at the very end of a transaction. These fees are inherently deceptive and should not exist in a free market, which is why I introduced the Pay the Price You See bill to mandate fee transparency in the advertised price of any good or service sold in Pennsylvania. I expect this bill will soon be passed by the House.



#### THE STOP PRICE FIXING ACT

#### House Bill 828

Referred to the House Consumer Protection, Technology and Utilities Committee

While the latest inflation report shows the pace of inflation is slowing, some corporations are still getting away with using inflation as a false excuse to boost their profit margins at the expense of working people. The Stop Price Fixing Act would enable the state attorney general to

prosecute individuals and



businesses that collude to artificially raise the prices of goods and services.

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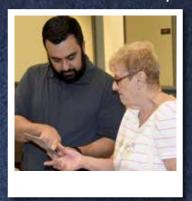
During a visit to South Hills Square, I ran into two of my grade school teachers, Mr. Gerry Bomba and Mrs. Carol Beveridge, who both taught for many years at West Mifflin School District!

# **WORKING FOR YOU!**

## CONSTITUENT SERVICES HERE IN THE DISTRICT

So far this year, my office has provided more than 8,700 individual services to our friends and neighbors.

If you ever need help with a state-related issue, my staff and I are here to help!



## SERVICES MY OFFICE CAN ASSIST YOU WITH:

- Voter registration and vote by mail applications
- Problems with the Department of Human Services (food stamps, medical and income assistance)
- Car registrations, special tags and driver's license applications
- Information on financial assistance for higher education
- Obtaining and completing state forms of all kinds
- Birth and death certificates
- Pennsylvania income tax questions or problems
- Complaints and problems with insurance companies

- Renewal of state-issued licenses or certifications
- Problems or questions about the state lottery
- PACE cards for senior citizens
- Consumer complaints
- Unemployment Issues

If you need help with any state or government-related services, please contact my office by calling (412) 466-1940 or by email at RepPisciottano@pahouse.net.

# MY NEW OFFICE IN WEST MIFFLIN



# COME MEET ME AND MY STAFF!

My staff and I were proud to open our new office location at 3563 Mountain View Drive in West Mifflin.

Next time you're in Century Square, stop by and say hello! We're six doors down from Hobby Lobby.

# **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

Every fall my office hosts a shredding event and a drive-through senior fair, and last year's events were a resounding success. Our shredding event was well attended despite the rain, and as always, everyone loved the costumes at our Trunk-or-Treat Senior Fair. Check out our favorite pictures from last year's events and be sure to save the date for this year's!











# **COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**



Committees play a key role in the long process of a bill becoming law in Pennsylvania. A bill must pass through a committee before advancing for a full vote from all 203 members of the House.

I'm excited to be serving as chair of the Policy Subcommittee on Labor, Energy, and Development!

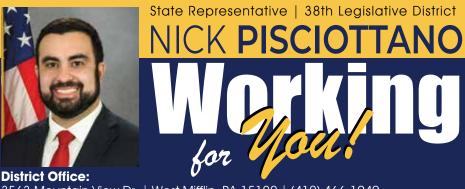




#### What's Inside?

- · How I'm fighting for working Pennsylvanians.
- Changes to the Property Tax/ Rent Rebate Program.
- Upcoming community events.
- And much more!

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# MY OFFICE CAN

- Unemployment issues
- PA Property Tax/Rent Rebate
  - Notarization of non-financial documents
    - Senior bus passes
  - PennDOT requests (titles, disability placards, REAL ID, etc.)

  - Unclaimed property
    - Utility issues

**MY OFFICE'S UPCOMING FREE** 

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 14

**Document Shredding** West Mifflin Fire Co. #3 10 a.m. to noon

#### SATURDAY, OCT. 28

Drive-Thru Senior Fair **Baldwin High School** 10 a.m. to noon