



Legislative Issue Guide

Pennsylvania 2022 ♦ House District 82

Below is a summary of your local candidates' positions on key issues that may be decided by the next legislature. We hope this guide helps you make an informed choice this election season.

1. Women's Health

Do the candidates support access to women's healthcare?

Paul Takac (D)

Y

Paul Takac strongly supports the right of every woman to make her own healthcare decisions, without government interference.

Source: <https://www.paultakac.com/policy>

Justin Behrens (R)

N

Justin Behrens' allies want to outlaw abortion, even in cases of rape and incest and when the health or life of the woman is at risk.

Source: Penn Dept. of State, Campaign Finance; SB 106, 7/8/22; WHYY, 7/9/22

2. Elections

Do the candidates support our election system and voters rights?

Paul Takac (D)

Y

Paul Takac supports fair redistricting so voters can choose their representatives and not the other way around. He will also work to make voting easier.

Source: <https://pa-collegetownship.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/180/2020-BudgetApproved-PDF>

Justin Behrens (R)

N

Justin Behrens opposed certifying election results in 2020 in Pennsylvania, propping up the baseless conspiracy theory that Donald Trump won the 2020 election and contributing to the lies that led to the January 6 insurrection in our nation's capital.

Source: WHYY, 11/23/2020; Wilkes-Barre Citizens' Voice, 11/8/20; Law & Crime Blog, 11/23/20

3. Public Schools

Do the candidates support our public schools?

Paul Takac (D)

Y

Paul Takac will fight for our fair share of school funding. He believes that we should hold charter schools to the same standards required of public schools.

Source: <https://www.paultakac.com/policy>

Justin Behrens (R)

N

Justin Behrens advocated for diverting taxpayer dollars from our local public schools to fund unaccountable private schools.

Source: Penn Dept. of State, Campaign Finance; BehrensForCentreCounty.com/issues Philadelphia Tribune, 5/18/21

This guide is not an endorsement of either candidate. Different positions will appeal to different voters, but an informed electorate is important to all of us. Visit MyVoterInformation.org for voting information and please be sure to vote!