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Rep. Sellers,

Thank you for meeting with us today. Please reference Christian's comments and question below.
Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Katherine

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From: Soura, Christian
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Katherine,

I just caught the Governor a moment ago to give her a brief run-through of H. 5024, Rep. Sellers' bill regarding capital millage in the Bamberg 2 school district. As we discussed during the meeting earlier this afternoon, although the bill does not necessarily raise taxes, that is certainly a rather likely outcome of this legislation. In fact, the T&D story that Rep. Sellers mentioned claims that the attorney who is credited with developing this concept called this "a relatively low tax increase."

Also, I just received the email that Mr. Flynn sent Swati a moment ago, in which he said, "The legislation does not impose taxes and there is no tax increase planned or otherwise due for implementation." This is arguably true in the narrow sense that the bill itself does not raise taxes, but this ignores the fact that the bill authorizes the district's board to raise taxes instead.

With that in mind, can we find out whether Rep. Sellers would be willing to support an amendment that would require a referendum? Thanks.

CLS

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