

**RESOLUTION R-2014-25**  
**LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

***A Resolution by the Luzerne County Council Urging Pennsylvania Legislators to Approve Senate Bill 458 Currently Under Consideration:***

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter in Section 2.09B2 grants the County Council the authority to levy taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania State Constitution allows the state legislature to establish uniform tax rate across the commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the mountainous debt of Luzerne County is upwards of \$400-500 million paid mainly with general fund revenues primarily realized by property taxes;

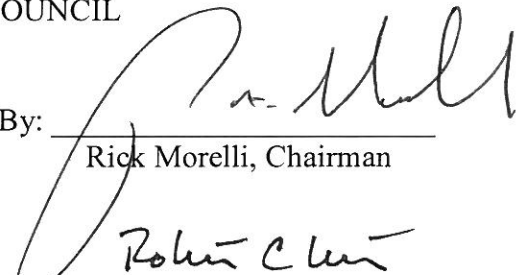
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Luzerne County Council does hereby voice its strong support of Senate Bill 458 "Property Tax Relief – Optional Sales Tax) in order to grant property tax relief, pay down the debt, and make taxation more egalitarian.

This Resolution shall become effective on March 26, 2014.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Luzerne County Council held on March 25, 2014.

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

Attest:   
Brittany M. Burgess, Clerk of Council

By:   
Rick Morelli, Chairman

  
Robert C. Lawton, County Manager