STATE REP. JOSH BASHLINE 63RD LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT WINTER 2025



2025-26 SESSION UNDERWAY

It was an honor to join my fellow lawmakers on Tuesday, Jan. 7, as we collectively took the oath of office for the 2025-26 Legislative Session. We have so much work to do, and I am ready to get to work to address the challenges facing our Commonwealth and our communities.

I was appointed to serve on the Environmental and Natural Resources Protection, Housing and Community Development, Human Services, and Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness committees.

I look forward to the work ahead to ensure your concerns and wishes are voiced loud and clear in Harrisburg. For the latest local and state news, be sure to follow me on Facebook and subscribe to receive my emails by visiting **RepBashline.com**.









HONORED TO SERVE YOU

To showcase the state-related services available to you, I held open houses at my Clarion and Kittanning district offices. They were a huge success. Thank you to all who braved the cold to attend. It was a pleasure meeting all of you.





CHEERS TO NEW BEGINNINGS

I recently participated in the grand opening and ribbon cutting for the University Korner Travel Plaza in Strattanville. I think I speak for everyone when I say it's exciting to see new businesses in Clarion County, especially a travel plaza that will bring many visitors.

Congratulations! We look forward to continued progress in our communities.

OUTLINING MY LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

During the first week of session, I sat down with my fellow new colleagues and Speaker of the House Joanna McClinton to discuss legislative priorities and what is important to the 63rd Legislative District.

I want to bring more family-sustaining jobs to the district while cutting intrusive government red tape. My priorities include supporting local jobs, workers and small businesses; lowering taxes; advocating for more emergency medical services funding; backing efforts to secure the border and protect Pennsylvanians; boosting American energy independence to stop price hikes; protecting the Second Amendment; upholding election integrity by supporting commonsense voter ID; and giving parents more control over their children's education.

If there is a state-related issue you would like to see addressed, please do not hesitate to reach out.



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2024 PROPERTY TAX/RENT REBATE PROGRAM NOW OPEN

The application period for the state's 2024 Property Tax/ Rent Rebate Program is open for eligible Pennsylvanians to begin claiming rebates on property taxes or rent paid last year.

Income limits increased again this year to \$46,520 for both homeowners and renters. This is due to a 2023 law that calls for adjusting the income limit based on annual increases in the Consumer Price Index. Remember to exclude 50% of Social Security when determining your income. The maximum rebate is \$1,000.

The program is open to residents aged 65 years and older; widows and widowers 50 years and older; and people with disabilities 18 years and older.

My office will be hosting several Property Tax/Rent Rebate clinics over a span of two days in March. Details are in the Upcoming Events section of this newsletter.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Property Tax/Rent Rebate Clinics Monday, March 10 9:30 a.m.

Sugarcreek Volunteer Fire Department 110 Rodgers Road, East Brady, PA 16028

Noon

Worthington West Franklin Community Library

214 E. Main St., Suite 1, Worthington, PA 16262

Tuesday, March 11 10 a.m.

Elderton Borough Building 200 S. Main St., Elderton, PA 15736

12:30 p.m.

Rural Valley Fire Department 730 W. Main St., Rural Valley, PA 16249

Please call my Kittanning district office at 724-954-3613 to schedule an appointment.