



Trenton To English Translation: “Small”

State Senator Paul Sarlo Suggests Governor Christie Should Support A “Relatively Small” \$3.25 Billion In Taxpayer Dollars For Sick Time Cash Payouts



[Watch Governor Christie Discuss Sen. Sarlo’s Definition Of “Small” Here](#)

TRADITIONAL USE:

small

adjective

1. comparatively little; limited in size, number, importance, etc.
2. of little importance or on a minor scale a small business

TRENTON TRANSLATION:

small

adjective

1. Whatever amount of taxpayer cash is needed to satisfy special interests, i.e., public employee unions.
2. \$3.25 Billion from New Jersey taxpayers.

Example:

“Sen. Paul Sarlo of Bergen County told The Associated Press the governor is holding up the [sick pay reform] bill over a relatively small difference that would end unlimited payouts for all future employees.” (“N.J. lawmaker asks for Gov. Christie to compromise on sick-leave payouts for public employees,” [The Associated Press](#), 12/12/11)

- **Sarlo Suggests A \$7,500 Cap Would Provide “Small Incentive” For Workers.** “Democrats then reduced the cap to \$7,500, but the governor has insisted the cash value of accumulated sick time should be zero. Christie says sick leave should be for illnesses and not be a retirement bonus. Sarlo says a small incentive would discourage employees from

using their entire sick-leave entitlement every year.” (“N.J. lawmaker asks for Gov. Christie to compromise on sick-leave payouts for public employees,” [The Associated Press](#), 12/12/11)

SO WHAT WILL THIS “SMALL INCENTIVE” COST TAXPAYERS?

\$3.25 Billion

Minimum cost to New Jersey taxpayers of the Democrats’ proposal of a \$7,500 sick pay cap, based on the current 434,017 state and local employees.