A Clear Contrast

Assembly Democrats Are Obsessed With Raising Taxes, While Governor Christie Has Fought To Lower Them

"We've seen this movie before. They raised taxes and fees 115 times in eight years. That's a tax or fee increase every 25 days. ... Here's the thing with Assembly Democrats, they're obsessed with raising taxes."
– Governor Chris Christie, Town Hall, Garfield, NJ, May 2, 2012

GOVERNOR CHRISTIE TAKES ACTION TO LOWER TAXES

Governor Christie Has Proposed A 10 Percent Income Tax Cut Across The Board, As Well As An Increase To The Earned Income Tax Credit.


The Assembly Democrats’ Tax Cut Excludes Up To 42 Percent Of Tax Filers. (New Jersey Department Of The Treasury, Division Of Taxation, 2008 Statistics Of Income, Tables 1.4; 3.5)

In His First Six Months In Office, Governor Christie Reduced The Size Of New Jersey’s Government By 8.3 Percent And Closed A Combined $13 Billion In Deficits Without Raising Taxes. (‘Governor Christie Signs Historic FY2011 Budget Closing $11 Billion Shortfall Without Raising Taxes,” Press Release, 6/29/10)

Trenton Democrats Increased Taxes 115 Times To Pay For Out Of Control Spending Over The Eight Years Before Governor Christie Took Office.

Governor Christie Signed Sweeping Bipartisan
Pension And Benefits Reform That Will Save New Jersey Taxpayers $120 Billion Over The Next 30 Years. (Governor Chris Christie, “Governor Christie Signs Into Law Bold, Bipartisan Pension and Health Benefits Reform,” Press Release, 6/28/11)

Bipartisan-Supported $120 Billion Relief For Taxpayers. (S2937, Passed Assembly: 46-32-1; 6/23/11)

Governor Christie Has Signed Into Law $2.35 Billion In Tax Relief To New Jersey's Job Creators—To Be Phased In Over Five Years – Spurring Economic Growth And The Creation Of Sustainable Jobs For New Jersey Families. (“The Governor’s FY 2013 Budget: Budget Summary,” Office Of Management And Budget, 2/21/12)


By 2009, New Jersey Had Been Ranked As The Worst State Business Tax Climate For 4 Consecutive Years, Thanks In No Small Part To Democrats’ 115 Tax Increases. (“State-Local Tax Burdens and Ranks by State, 2009,” The Tax Foundation, 2/23/11)


“The Smallest Increase In Nearly Two Decades” (Megan DeMarco & Eric Sagara, "Did N.J. Property Tax Reform Help Most Taxpayers?" Star Ledger, 1/8/12)


Four Members Of The Assembly Voted Against The Property Tax Cap … You Guessed It, All Democrats:

- John Wisniewski (D-Middlesex)
- Patrick Diegnan (D-Middlesex),
- Annette Quijano (D-Union),
- Bonnie Watson-Coleman (D-Mercer) (S29, Concur Gov Rec; Passed Assembly: 73-4-2; 7/12/10)

Governor Christie Has Vowed To Veto Any Increase To The Gas Tax. (Governor Chris Christie, Town Hall, Evesham, NJ, 5/10/11)

Assembly Democrat-Sponsored Bill Proposed Raising The Gas Tax $2.4 Billion. (A2718, Introduced, 5/13/10)


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