

# STATE REPRESENTATIVE **SHERYL M. DELOZIER** 88<sup>TH</sup> LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT



## DeLozier's Bipartisan Clean Slate Bill, Probation and Parole Reform Initiative ***Signed into Law***

**House Bill 689**, also known as Clean Slate 3.0, adds to the original legislation I authored with Rep. Jordan Harris (D-Philadelphia) in 2018, which was a first-in-the-nation piece of legislation giving second chances to those who have earned it. Clean Slate 3.0 includes the sealing of details in certain low-level, nonviolent felony drug crimes after 10 years without recidivism.

**Senate Bill 838** would promote fairness and limit excessive incarceration by establishing a mandatory probation review conference to consider an individual's educational, employment or other goals. This conference may be waived on a case-by-case basis when all stakeholders agree it is unnecessary. I offered an amendment to Senate Bill 838 which helped it gain more support from members on both sides of the aisle.

These bills, which are now law in Pennsylvania, are prime examples of strong criminal justice reform bills that will build upon and improve smart public policy. They are also meaningful victories for criminal justice reform, an issue I have been passionate about for decades.

Both bills received broad bipartisan, bicameral support with no stakeholder groups voicing opposition to expanding Clean Slate. I hope the governor recognizes the many years we have been working to achieve this legislative goal. The bottom line for both bills is promoting fairness and creating second chances for Pennsylvanians who have shown they deserve a pathway out of the criminal justice system.

## DeLozier and Colleagues Lead the Way on Prison Reform Legislation

I have partnered with Reps. Craig Williams (R-Chester/Delaware), Kathy Rapp (R-Warren/Forrest), John Lawrence (R-Chester) and Mike Stender (R-Northumberland/Montour) to introduce a package of bills designed to make county prisons more secure. The bills we introduced would provide funding to upgrade security and health infrastructure (including heating and air conditioning). As a deterrent, the bills would eliminate parole for inmates who escape or attempt escape; require Pennsylvania's Department of Corrections to conduct a security audit of county jails that have experienced a jail escape; and create an alert system to be activated in the event of a prison escape.

The bill I am prime sponsoring would address staffing shortages at county jails by allowing them to hire off-duty staff from other county jails or the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections to bolster staffing when shift vacancies arise.

With SCI Camp Hill in the 88<sup>th</sup> District, I know staffing is an issue at the county and state levels. I also know our corrections officers are hard-working, highly trained and skilled in securing inmates. We need to break down existing red tape so those already trained in prison security can help meet staff complements where needed. Keeping inmates in jail and ensuring our communities are safe from prison escapes is a top priority.

## ***Helping Pennsylvania Families:*** Expanded Property Tax/Rent Rebate, New Childcare Tax Credit Programs

Last year, the General Assembly approved an increase to the state's popular Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program.

The rebate program benefits eligible residents 65 years and older; widows and widowers 50 years and older; and people with disabilities 18 years and older. Prior to the expansion, the income limit was \$35,000 a year for homeowners and \$15,000 annually for renters, with half of Social Security income excluded.

The program expansion is effective this year for property taxes and rent paid in 2023 with income limits increased to \$45,000. The maximum amount each homeowner or renter can receive has also been increased from \$650 to \$1,000. The expanded program is estimated to reach more than 150,000 additional Pennsylvanians.

I was glad to support rebate changes and the new legislative Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit program which makes Pennsylvania a more affordable place to live for families with young children.

The Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit program will help families offset the burden of rising childcare costs by matching 100 percent of the federal credit. Under this new program, Pennsylvanians could receive a tax credit more than three times larger than the credit they received for childcare last year.

For free assistance with Property Tax/Rent Rebate applications, and questions about the tax credit program, you may contact my office at **717-761-4665**.

## CONGRATULATIONS, EAGLE SCOUTS!

It is always a pleasure to recognize the hard work of local Scouts who achieve the highest rank. Earning the rank of Eagle Scout requires years of dedication that culminates in a project to help the community. Congratulations to those we honored in the 88<sup>th</sup> District this fall!

• **Colin McQuade, Troop 51**

• **Kyle Shehan, Troop 196**

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***We are planning several great events around the district this year.  
Be sure to check my website for updates on the following events:***

- 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribute to Veterans Breakfast
- Car Seat Safety Check
- Fall Shredding Event
- First Responders Recognition

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Job and Government Services Fair • Thursday, March 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
**at First Church of God Community Center, located at 201 E. Green St. in Mechanicsburg.**

Are you looking for a job or internship? Do you need assistance with unclaimed property or other state services? Come out to my Job and Government Services Fair to network with local employers and obtain help with state-related issues from the Department of Revenue, Treasury and more. Businesses interested in setting up a table are asked to fill out a vendor form. Those looking to attend to learn about potential jobs and government services are encouraged to RSVP.

To ask questions and RSVP as a vendor or attendee, please contact my office at **717-761-4665** or visit my website at **[RepDelozier.com/Events](http://RepDelozier.com/Events)**.



**Spring Document Shredding Event • Thursday, March 21, from 5-7 p.m.**  
**at the Hampden Township Pool, located at 5002 Hampden Park Drive in Mechanicsburg.**

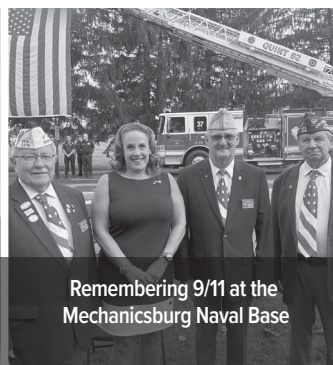
Please RSVP to **717-761-4665** or visit **[RepDelozier.com/Events](http://RepDelozier.com/Events)**. RSVPs give the shredding company a headcount. Documents to be shredded will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

## CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY

One of the best parts of my job is getting to recognize those individuals whose hard work and selfless service makes our community such a wonderful place to call home. Check out some of the awesome people and things happening around the 88<sup>th</sup> District!



Celebrating the Achievements of  
West Shore Marching Band



Remembering 9/11 at the  
Mechanicsburg Naval Base



Welcoming New Businesses  
to the Community



Recognizing Our First Responders