

Proposed Opening Remarks for Senate Hearing SB 761

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today.

I served as Republican State Committee Chairman from 1996 to 2005. Those years I worked closely with Governors Tom Ridge and Mark Schweiker. I also had the privilege of working closely with Governor Tom Corbett and his Lt. Governor, Jim Cawley.

Based on those experiences and perspectives I believe that the Governor and Lieutenant Governor should run as a team on a ticket together.

I believe that the team and ticket model is good for the party organizations, the Governor and Lt. Governor, both as candidates and, upon election, their governing after assuming office. The team and ticket model creates an earlier opportunity for a more efficient governing team.

I am happy to answer questions. Thank you.