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**Top Line Survey Results
Pennsylvania Statewide Survey
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Sample Size: 401 Union Households**

INTRODUCTION: We are conducting a survey of attitudes and opinions concerning some important issues facing Pennsylvania today. May we have 4 to 5 minutes of your time to complete the survey?

Great, thank you...

F1. Are you, or is anyone in your household a member of the media like a newspaper, TV or radio station, or a candidate for public office, current elected official or employee of a political party?

If Yes (TERMINATE)

If No 401 100%

F2: Are you, or is anyone in your household either a current, former, or retired member of a union, or a non-union member but pay dues to a union? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

1. Yes, respondent member of a union	281	70%
2. Yes, respondent non-union but pay dues to union	21	05%
3. Yes, other household member of a union	114	29%
4. Yes, other household non-union but pay dues to union	8	02%

5. No (TERMINATE)

6. Refuse (TERMINATE)

Q1. To the best of your knowledge, are the dues you (or others in the household) pay to the union automatically collected from your paycheck via payroll deduction or collected some other way? (CHECK UP TO TWO OPTIONS)

1. Payroll deduction	352	88%
2. Some other way (please specify)	50	13%
3. Undecided	10	02%
4. Refuse	1	00%

Q2. When it comes to collecting union dues for public sector unions like those representing government employees or teachers, who should be responsible for collecting these dues – the unions themselves or the government? (ROTATE CHOICES)

1. Unions themselves	289	72%
2. Government	62	16%
3. Neither/other	24	06%
4. Undecided	23	06%
5. Refuse	2	01%

Q3. When it comes to the proper use of public funds, should taxpayer resources be used to collect money that can be then used to make campaign contributions to support candidates for public office?

1. Yes	57	14%
2. No	321	80%
3. Undecided	23	06%
4. Refuse	1	00%

Q4. As you may or may not know, current law allows public sector unions like those representing government employees and teachers to use taxpayer resources to collect dues from workers' paychecks. Those dues are then transferred to union bank accounts where they can be used for lobbying or other political purposes like campaign mailings to voters. Is the current practice of allowing public sector unions to use state resources to collect dues from its members a legitimate use of taxpayers' funds?

1. Yes	89	22%
2. No	267	67%
3. Undecided	43	11%
4. Refuse	3	01%

Q5. State legislators in Harrisburg are considering a law that would prohibit or ban the use of taxpayer resources for collection of public sector union dues, like those representing government employees or teachers, and instead require unions to collect these funds directly from workers. Generally speaking, do you support or oppose this proposed new law? (Test Intensity...)

1. Strongly support	146	36%	Total Support: 58%
2. Somewhat support	87	22%	
3. Strongly oppose	98	24%	
4. Somewhat oppose	29	07%	
5. Undecided	41	10%	

Q6. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "A law preventing unions from using public resources to collect dues from its members will empower individual teachers and workers to have greater control over how their money is spent on politics". (Test Intensity...)

1. Strongly agree	171	43%	Total Agree: 65%
2. Somewhat agree	90	22%	
3. Strongly disagree	64	16%	
4. Somewhat disagree	37	09%	
5. Undecided	36	09%	
6. Refuse	4	01%	

Q7. In your opinion, should the government be allowed to collect political campaign contributions on behalf of public sector unions, like those representing government employees or teachers?

1. Yes	69	17%
2. No	310	77%
3. Undecided	19	05%
4. Refuse	3	01%

Now, I just have a few more questions for demographic purposes and we'll be through...

Q8. Can you please specify the type of union you (or others in your household) either belong to or pay dues to? (One Answer Only)

1. Private Sector	201	50%	(See response categories below)
2. Public Sector	184	46%	(See response categories below)
3. Both	16	04%	

Please tell us/specify the type of union(s) you or others belong/pay dues to. (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

Private Sector	[N=217]	
Automobile/Machine Shop	12	03%
Building Trades/Construction	31	08%
Electrical/Mechanical	27	07%
Food Service/Cafeteria	11	03%
Hospitality/Hotel/Cleaning	10	02%
Manufacturing/General	26	07%
Nursing/Medical/Healthcare	10	02%
Pipefitter/Plumbing	6	01%
Steel/Coal	36	09%
Textile/Apparel	14	03%
Transportation/Bus/Transit	6	01%
Transportation/Commercial Driving	17	04%
Transportation/Shipping/Delivery	6	01%
Other (verbatim)	9	02%
Undecided	2	01%
Refuse	7	02%

Public Sector	[N=200]	
Federal government employee	27	7%
State government employee	51	13%
Local government employee	26	6%
Teacher/education support staff	100	25%
Other (Verbatim)	7	02%

Q9. How long have you (or were you) or others in your household been a union member or paying dues to a union? (READ IF NECESSARY – CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

1. Less than 1 year	5	01%
2. At least 1 year but less than 5 years	35	09%
3. At least five years but less than 10 years	42	10%
4. At least 10 years but less than 20 years	98	24%
5. 20 years or longer	225	56%
6. Undecided	0	00%
7. Refuse	5	01%

Q10. How often would you say the union represents the interests you (or others in your household) care about – all or most of the time, only some of the time, hardly at all or never?

1. All/most of the time	170	42%
2. Only some of the time	133	33%
3. Hardly at all	56	14%
4. Never	26	06%
5. Undecided	12	03%
6. Refuse	4	01%

Q11. How often do you (or did you) or others in your household attend union related events or meetings where official business is/was discussed? (READ IF NECESSARY)

1. Regularly or multiple times a year	175	44%
2. On a seldom basis, or a couple times a year	87	22%
3. Hardly at all, or less than once a year	65	16%
4. Never	64	16%
5. Undecided	5	01%

Q12. Do you (or did you) or others in your household hold any official leadership or elected position in the union, like an officer?

1. Yes	47	12%
2. No	346	86%
3. Undecided	2	00%
4. Refuse	7	02%

Q13. Are you registered to vote as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent or something else?

1. Republican	144	36%
2. Democrat	202	50%
3. Independent/other	35	09%
4. Refuse	19	05%

Q14. What is your age according to the following age brackets – 18-29, 30-44, 45-54, 55-64, or 65 and older?

1. 18-29	6	02%
2. 30-44	57	14%
3. 45-54	95	24%
4. 55-64	126	31%
5. 65+	111	28%

Q15. Is your main racial heritage of Caucasian, African-American, Hispanic, Asian American or another background? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

1. Caucasian	352	88%
2. African American	30	07%
3. Hispanic/Latino	5	01%
4. Asian or Pacific Islander	1	00%
5. Native American	1	00%
6. Other	9	02%
7. Refuse	12	03%

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE SURVEY. HAVE A GOOD DAY/NIGHT

Gender:

1. Male	202	50%
2. Female	199	50%

Voted (from record): 1 or better in G12, G11, G10 and/or G09, as well as new registered voters since Nov 2011

1. 1X	88	22%
2. 2X	120	30%
3. 3X	72	18%
4. 4X	122	30%

Household Party (from record):

1. Republican	158	39%
2. Democrat	215	54%
3. Independent	28	07%

Phone Type (from record):

1. Landline	348	87%
2. Cellular	53	13%

Area (from record):

- 34 (09%) 1. **Northwest** [Erie, Crawford, Mercer, Venango, Warren, Forest]
 - 53 (13%) 2. **Southwest** [Lawrence, Beaver, Washington, Greene, Fayette, Westmoreland, Indiana, Armstrong, Butler]
 - 68 (17%) 3. **The "T"/Central** [Jefferson, Elk, McKean, Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Centre, Cambria, Somerset, Bedford, Fulton, Franklin, Huntingdon, Blair, Potter, Tioga, Bradford, Susquehanna, Wyoming, Sullivan, Lycoming, Clinton, Union, Snyder, Northumberland, Montour, Columbia, Mifflin, Juniata]
 - 41 (10%) 4. **Northeast/Lehigh Valley** [Luzerne, Carbon, Monroe, Schuylkill, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Northampton, Pike, Wayne]
 - 89 (22%) 5. **South Central** [Perry, Cumberland, Adams, York, Lancaster, Lebanon, Dauphin, Berks]
 - 42 (10%) 6. **Southeast** [Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Bucks]
 - 34 (08%) 7. **Allegheny County**
 - 40 (10%) 8. **Philadelphia**
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Methodology: This poll was commissioned by Red Maverick Media. Interviews were conducted 2/6-2/9 with 401 Pennsylvania registered and likely voters from households who met the criteria as belonging to a union household defined as either a current, former or retired member of a union. Respondents who did not meet the eligibility criteria as residing in a union household were disqualified from participating; while those who were eligible to participate were not informed of the survey's subject matter when asked to verify their union status as a way to eliminate respondent bias. Interviews were conducted using a landline and cellular sample frame, and randomly selected via telephone using the survey research staff from Susquehanna Polling and Research. Interviews are closely monitored to ensure a representative sample of union households was achieved based on factors including type of union household (i.e., private or public sector) as well as proper distributions of interviews by geographic residence, gender, age, racial background and other demographics. The margin of error for 401 interviews is +/-4.88% at the 95% confidence level.
