

## **Repeal Act 82**

**WHEREAS**, Gov. Corbett signed House Bill 1901 (Act 82 of 2012), requiring the Secretary of Education to establish a new statewide rating system for evaluating teachers and principals; and

**WHEREAS**, Act 82 requires the rating system to base 50 percent of educator evaluations on multiple measures of student performance including, but not solely on student test scores. Classroom observation and practice will comprise the remaining 50 percent of evaluations; and

**WHEREAS**, Act 82 affects temporary professional and professional employees, which includes principals, classroom teachers, and educational specialists who provide services other than classroom instruction; and

**WHEREAS**, accurate assessment of professional performance is vital to growth for all educators; and

**WHEREAS**, educators in schools with low School Performance Profile (SPP) scores are harmed by the use of the SPP in their overall rating; and

**WHEREAS**, a group of stakeholders comprised of educators from across the commonwealth recommended that ratings are comprised of 80% educator observation and 20% elective data

**RESOLVED**, that the American Federation of Teachers-PA, including its locals and affiliated organizations, support and will advocate for the repeal of Act 82 and for a replacement rating system that does not punish educators

Committee Recommends Concurrence as Amended