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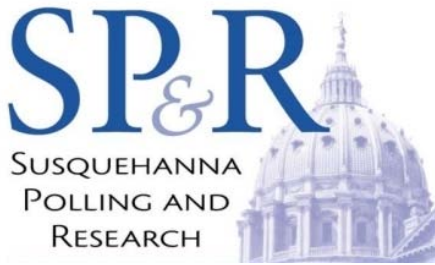
**STATEWIDE POLL SHOWS MAJORITY OF PENNSYLVANIANS OPPOSE CARD CHECK;  
MOST AGREE WITH SEN. SPECTER THAT CARD CHECK VIOLATES THE PRIVATE BALLOT**

**(June 9, Harrisburg, PA)** – Susquehanna Polling and Research, Inc. today released the results of a statewide poll testing voter attitudes towards passage of the Employee Free Choice Act, otherwise known as “card check”, currently being debated in the U.S. Congress. The live poll was conducted May 26<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> with 700 registered voters and has a margin of error of +/-3.7% at the 95% confidence level. The top line results are included with this release.

The results show that Pennsylvanians oppose passage of card check by a 55/29 margin, including 40% who are “*strongly*” opposed compared to 15% who “*strongly*” favor the bill. Both Republicans and Independents oppose the measure by strong margins including 68% of Republicans and 58% of Independents. Democrats oppose the legislation by a 44/37 margin. “The broad-based opposition to this legislation suggests that people don’t view the right to cast a “private ballot” as a Republican or Democrat issue, but one that is sacred to everyone,” said Jim Lee, SP&R President.

In addition, by a 45/34 margin most agree with U.S. Senator Specter’s publicly-stated rationale opposing the legislation. In public comments explaining his opposition to the bill earlier this year, Sen. Specter said he believed the bill violated the long-standing tradition of the private ballot, and could lead to more job losses due to the additional burden it would put on employers, particularly during the economic slowdown. “Even in a blue-collar state like Pennsylvania with strong ties to organized labor, this poll shows that Pennsylvanians are more concerned about the impact this bill could have on the worsening job climate than making it easier for unions to organize,” Lee added.

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**Final Top Line Survey Results  
Susquehanna Polling and Research, Inc  
Spring 2009 Statewide Poll  
Sample Size: 700 Registered Voters  
Conducted: May 26-30, 2009**

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

Great, thank you...

Thinking about state issues for a few minutes...

Q1. The U.S. Congress is currently debating passage of a new law called the Employee Free Choice Act, otherwise known as "card check" which effectively ends the ability of employees to hold private ballot elections by allowing employees to more easily form a union if union organizers can get a majority of workers to simply sign cards saying they want to unionize. By signing these cards employees' signatures would then be made public. Generally speaking, have you recently seen, read or heard anything about this issue?

		<u>All</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>	<u>Ind</u>
1. Yes	382	55%	63%	48%	55%
2. No	311	44%	36%	51%	45%
3. Undecided	3	00%	01%	00%	00%
4. Refuse	4	01%	00%	01%	00%

Q2. Again, this legislation effectively ends the ability of employees to hold private ballot elections by allowing employees to more easily form a union if union organizers can get a majority of workers to simply sign cards saying they want to unionize. By signing these cards employees' signatures would then be made public. Generally speaking, do you favor or oppose passage of this Employee Free Choice Act or "card check" legislation? (Test Intensity...)

			<u>All</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>	<u>Ind</u>
1. Strongly favor	106	15%	<b>Total Favor: 29%</b>	18%	37%	26%
2. Somewhat favor	95	14%		<b>Total Oppose: 55%</b>	68%	44%
3. Strongly oppose	277	40%				
4. Somewhat oppose	108	15%				
5. Undecided	109	16%		13%	18%	16%
6. Refuse	5	01%		00%	01%	00%

Q3. As you may or may not know, U.S. Senator Arlen Specter recently stated publicly that he is opposed to this bill because it violates the long-standing tradition of the private ballot and will lead to more job losses in this recession due to the additional burden on employers. Do you agree or disagree with his position? (Test Intensity...)

			<u>All</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>	<u>Ind</u>
1. Strongly agree	187	27%	<b>Total Agree: 45%</b>	53%	39%	49%
2. Somewhat agree	131	19%		<b>Total Disagree: 34%</b>	29%	36%
3. Strongly disagree	140	20%				
4. Somewhat disagree	97	14%				
5. Undecided	134	19%		15%	23%	12%
6. Refuse	11	02%		02%	02%	00%

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

Q4. Are you registered to vote as a Republican, Democrat, Independent or something else?

1. Republican	280	40%
2. Democrat	364	52%
3. Independent/other	56	08%

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Q5. What is your approximate age according to the following brackets: 18-29, 30-44, 45-59 or 60 and over?

1. 18-29	42	06%
2. 30-44	116	17%
3. 45-59	281	40%
4. 60+	241	34%
5. Refuse	20	03%

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Q6. Do you consider yourself to be conservative or liberal when thinking about your social, economic and political views?

1. Conservative	327	47%
2. Liberal	180	26%
3. Moderate	154	22%
4. Undecided	19	03%
5. Refuse	20	03%

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

Gender:

1. Male	336	48%
2. Female	364	52%

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Area:

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| 35  | (05%) | 1. <b>Northwest</b> [Erie, Crawford, Mercer, Venango, Warren, Forest]   |
| 77  | (11%) | 2. <b>Southwest</b> [Lawrence, Beaver, Washington, Greene, Fayette, Westmoreland, Indiana, Armstrong, Butler]   |
| 84  | (12%) | 3. <b>The "T"/Central</b> [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] |
| 84  | (12%) | 4. <b>Northeast/Lehigh Valley</b> [Luzerne, Carbon, Monroe, Schuylkill, Lackawanna, Lehigh, Northampton, Pike, Wayne]   |
| 119 | (17%) | 5. <b>South Central</b> [Perry, Cumberland, Adams, York, Lancaster, Lebanon, Dauphin, Berks]  |
| 147 | (21%) | 6. <b>Southeast</b> [Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Bucks]  |
| 77  | (11%) | 7. <b>Allegheny County</b>  |
| 77  | (11%) | 8. <b>Philadelphia</b>  |

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The margin of error for a sample size of 700 is +/-3.70%

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**Methodology:**

This statewide poll was conducted May 26-30 with 700 registered voters working from a statewide voter registration list of those who voted in one of the last four general elections or better (G08, G07, G06 and/or G05). Interviews were randomly selected and conducted from our telephone call center in Harrisburg using our team of survey research interviewers. The margin of error for a sample size of 700 is +/-3.7% at the 95% confidence level. The questions were sponsored by Citizens to Protect PA Jobs, a coalition of pro-business groups and citizens.