

## LAYOFF OF 40 IN LUZERNE COUNTY INEVITABLE

Due to a vote by the Luzerne/Schuylkill Workforce Investment Board to outsource to outside companies, the county will now face layoffs for those employees currently in charge of the job placement and training programs for the unemployed and underprivileged youth in Luzerne and Schuylkill. The commissioners from the counties in northeastern Pennsylvania wanted to prevent this, but accepted Wednesday that they do not have the power to put a stop to the outsourcing. The Luzerne County Solicitor Vito DeLuca said Wednesday that the commissioners have no authority to intervene in the board's decision. The outsourcing is to take effect July 1, according to the Times Leader.

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