

Budget Resolution Could Come This Weekend



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I will be spending the Independence Day weekend at the state Capitol with my House colleagues as we work toward a new state budget for fiscal year 2022-23. For details, click the video box above.

SEC Asked to Investigate Corporations Whose Social Policies Could Impact Investors, Public Pension Plans

This week, I joined about two dozen of my House colleagues in [sending a letter](#) to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), to express our concern about corporations adopting social policies absent an effective system of internal controls and risk assessment. We believe such policies could put investors in a financially precarious position and affect a corporation's ability to act as a responsible fiduciary. We are urging the SEC to investigate.

Responsible Maintenance of our Public Pension Systems

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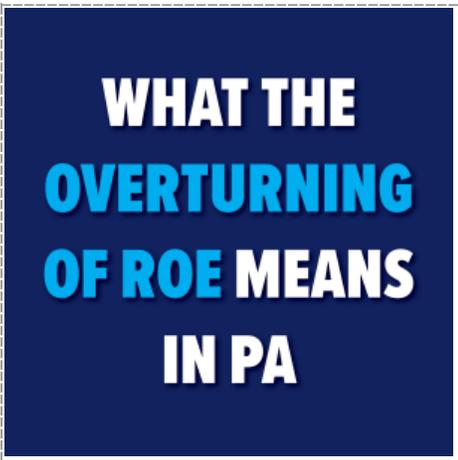
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Our current market economy is not only driving up consumer prices like food, gas and other necessities, it is also resulting in market losses in our public pension systems. I have been working on legislation to ensure those managing our pension systems are well-trained and prepared, as well as to establish sensible fee and investment strategies that will take some of the stress off the system. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Supreme Court Repeal of Abortion Focuses Attention on State Law

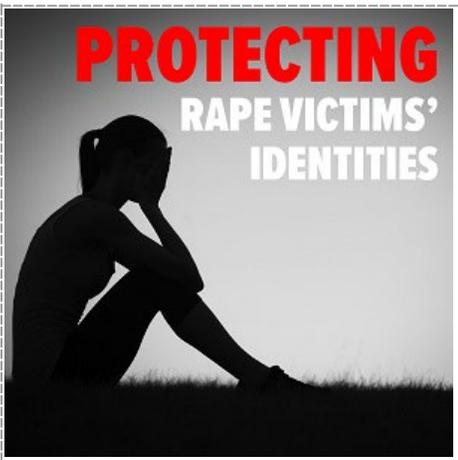
Last week's U.S. Supreme Court ruling overturning a woman's right to an abortion, means it will now be up to states to adopt policies regulating or prohibiting abortion procedures within their borders. In Pennsylvania, abortion remains legal under the law. The Commonwealth's Abortion Control Act generally permits abortion during the first six months of pregnancy, after which it is restricted only to instances in which the life of the mother is threatened or if the pregnancy would result in irreversible impairment of a major bodily function. The following bills, which I co-sponsored, would further restrict abortion in Pennsylvania to protect the life of unborn children:



[House Bill 1500](#), which would prohibit abortion due solely to a diagnosis of Down's syndrome, [House Bill 904](#), which would prohibit abortion once a heartbeat is detected, and [House Bill 2252](#), which would amend the Pennsylvania Constitution to clarify that there is no right to an abortion or abortion funding within the state Constitution.

House Advances Bill to Protect Rape Victims' Identities

The House recently passed legislation I co-sponsored, which aims to protect the identity of victims of sexual assault. [House Bill 2032](#), known as the Sexual Assault Testing and Evidence Collection Act, would create an exception to reporting identifying information in sexual assault cases when victims wish to remain anonymous. The change would recognize the trauma of such crimes and address the fears of retaliation and invasion of privacy felt by survivors. The bill also would require Pennsylvania State Police (PSP), in consultation with the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, to conduct a study about establishing and sustaining a rape kit tracking system. The report would aim to identify the most efficient way of



creating an online database accessible to rape victims and allow data to be entered in and stored by law enforcement agencies, forensic labs, hospitals and health care facilities. The bill is awaiting action in the Senate.

Blood Donations Encouraged as Supplies Remain Low



As we head into the summer travel season, our local blood banks continue to experience shortages that could threaten their ability to meet demand in the event of an emergency. As a regular blood donor, I know I am doing my part to help others in their time of need, but more is needed. If you are able to donate blood, I strongly encourage you to do so.



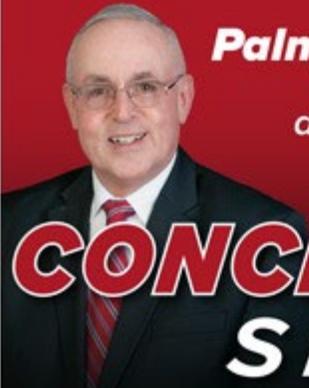
In our area, Terri, Stephanie, Ruth Ann and others are available to assist you at WellSpan's blood donor center, located at [750 Norman Drive, Lebanon](#). Call (717) 270-8960 to schedule a donation or [you may do so online](#). While there, you can also get a FREE blood pressure check. Please consider doing it today. Thank You!

Retiring Lawmakers Reflect on PA's Future



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State Sen. Bob Mensch (R-Montgomery) and I are both retiring in December. This week, we were invited to participate in the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association's roundtable discussion where we talked about the current political and financial climate in Pennsylvania and what lies ahead. Watch it by clicking on the video box above.



Palmyra Sportsmen's Association
and **Rep. Frank Ryan**
are hosting a

CONCEALED CARRY SEMINAR

For constituents of the 101st Legislative District

THURSDAY,
JULY 21
from **6 – 8 P.M.**
at **Palmyra Sportsmen's Association**
410 Sportsman Road, Annville

Joshua Prince, Esq., Firearms Industry Consulting Group®, a Division of Civil Rights Defense Firm, P.C., will discuss concealed carry laws and the Castle Doctrine. Lebanon County Sheriff Jeffrie C. Marley Jr. will explain how to apply for a concealed carry license.

SPACE IS LIMITED! RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.
Please RSVP by calling **717-838-3823** or online at **www.RepFrankRyan.com**.

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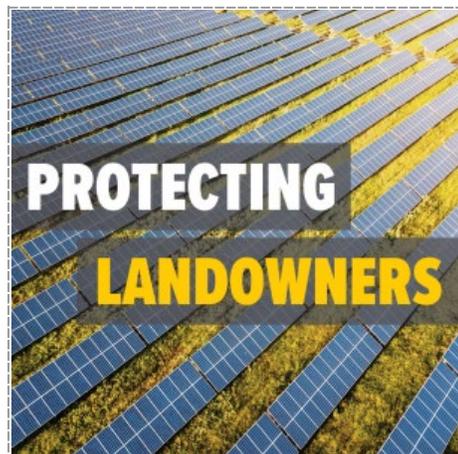
Measures to Support PA Workers, Environment Earn House Approval

With at least 200,000 or more abandoned oil and gas wells across the Commonwealth, and federal funding to help plug those wells on the way, the state House has approved two bills aimed at addressing the problem. [House Bill 2528](#) would support jobs for Pennsylvania workers by ensuring any company, regardless of size, is eligible to bid on well-plugging contracts sought by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The agency would still be permitted to look out-of-state for contractors if it is unable to find a qualified in-state company. [House Bill 2644](#), which I co-sponsored, would require DEP to use a portion of the federal funds it is set to receive to create a new initiative to provide grants to experienced well-plugging companies that work to maximize the volume of orphaned wells being plugged in the Commonwealth. Grants of \$10,000 would be awarded for plugging wells of 3,000 or fewer feet deep, and grants of \$20,000 would be awarded for plugging wells over 3,000 feet deep. The Commonwealth is set to receive more than \$400 million in federal infrastructure funds to address orphaned or abandoned wells. Both bills are pending action in the Senate.



House OKs Bill to Protect Landowners with Wind, Solar Leases

Legislation that I co-sponsored, to protect landowners and high-valued farmlands against long-term liabilities associated with wind and solar energy development, was recently approved by the House. [House Bill 2104](#) would specifically assure the proper bonding and reclamation of lands leased to solar and wind energy facilities. Proof of the bond would be held with the county recorder of deeds and reported to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). House Bill 2104 does not impact in any way a citizen or business installing panels or turbines on their own private property. The bill is awaiting action in the Senate.



Happy Independence Day!!



A few important reminders as you plan to celebrate our nation's independence this weekend. If you are going to set off fireworks, be smart, be careful and be considerate of your neighbors. The Office of the State Fire Commissioner offers the following tips:

- Never allow children to play with fireworks, even sparklers.
- Never point or throw fireworks at another person.
- Never pick up or try to relight fireworks that have not fully ignited.
- Never use fireworks after consuming alcohol or other substances that impair judgement or the ability to act quickly.

If you choose to use fireworks, only allow adults to light one at a time then quickly back away. Keep a bucket of water or garden hose handy in case of fire, and fully douse burned fireworks in water before picking them up or throwing them away. Remember, the use of fireworks is strictly prohibited within 150 feet of a home or

other occupied structure.

Fish for Free Monday!



On Monday, July 4, the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) will host a Fish for Free day to allow anyone (resident or non-resident) to legally fish on all Pennsylvania waterways. No license is required, but all other fishing regulations still apply. This is a great way to expose the next generation of anglers to the outdoors!

[Find more information here.](#)

PennDOT Driver License, Photo Centers Closed for

Holiday

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) announced that all driver license and photo centers, including its full-service center in Harrisburg, will be closed Saturday, July 2, through Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Customers may still obtain a variety of driver and vehicle products and services 24 hours a day, seven days a week, online through [PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services website](#). There are no additional fees for using online services. Motorists can check conditions on major roadway miles by visiting [511PA.com](#). 511PA, which is free and available 24 hours a day, provides traffic delay warnings, weather forecasts, traffic speed information, and access to more than 1,000 traffic cameras. Have a safe and happy July Fourth!