



## American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update



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### **Check Our Recent Interviews**

Rev. Bill Owens, Coalition of African American Pastors - petition to impeach Holder <http://afaofpa.org/listen/>

### **News From Around PA**

**PA Congressman Scott Perry** introduces bill to legalize medical marijuana.

After Judge Jones' decision declaring our DOMA unconstitutional, **Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald** announced same-sex domestic partner benefits for "gay" county employees would end on July 31st. His reasoning was that since these employees could now "marry" they no longer needed them. However, the eleven homosexual county employees complained and Fitzgerald is extending the deadline until June 30, 2015.

**Montgomery County Gay Caucus** formed. It is comprised of Abington Township Commissioner Lori

Schreiber, Norristown Council President William Caldwell, Bridgeport Borough Councilman Mark Barbee and Springfield Township Zoning Hearing Board chair Dan Clifford. It was created to "provide awareness of and support for LGBT candidates and their allies."

**Moody's** downgraded PA's credit rating for \$11.1 billion of the commonwealth's general obligation bonds, from Aa2 to Aa3. The ratings for another \$2 billion of appropriation-backed bonds were likewise reduced.

PA has filed lawsuits against **major oil companies**, seeking reimbursements for funds used to clean spills as well as damages for harm to natural resources.

### **News from National Scene**

Twelve states (PA was not one of them) **filed a lawsuit** against the Administration seeking to block an EPA proposal to regulate coal-fired power plants.

Justice Department joined challenges to **voting rights laws** in Wisconsin (showing photo ID before voting) and Ohio (challenging early

voting restrictions), asserting that the measures imposed "significant barriers to the most basic right of our democracy."

Self-described "profound liberal" **Pamela Ann Harris** was confirmed to the Fourth Circuit Court. Casey voted "yea," Toomey voted "nay."

The **US House** voted 225-201 to sue President Obama over his use of executive action to delay the employer mandate in Obamacare.

**Johnson and Johnson** has a national campaign called "Care With Pride" that delivers thousands of dollars to homosexual organizations. AFA of PA encourages Christians, through education, to become involved in pro-family issues in their community, state and the nation. We are a non-profit organization that is totally dependent upon financial gifts from our supporters. You can give online here <http://afaofpa.org/donate/>

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