



American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update
Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in!

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News From Around PA

Efforts to cut 52 seats from the **State House** have slowed as an amendment was added to also cut 12 seats in the State Senate. This amended bill has not been voted on and may mean it will not be ready for the ballot until 2019. Supporters of reducing the size of the legislature say it is a stalling tactic by opponents of the plan.

Governor Wolf has issued a directive that requires **all voting systems** purchased from February 9th on to use a voter-verifiable paper ballot or keep a paper record of votes cast.

The **Bradbury-Sullivan LGBT Community Center** in Allentown will host a mini-series this month focusing on "spirituality and spiritual violence." FYI Identifying sinful behaviors rather than

affirming them is considered "spiritual violence"!

US Supreme Court **Justice Samuel Alito** refused to stay a state court order to redraw congressional maps.

The **state Republican party** has endorsed Congressman Lou Barletta's Senate bid and State Senator Scott Wagner for PA governor.

News from National Scene

California judge rules in favor of **Christian baker** saying she does not have to bake a cake for a same-sex "wedding." Noting "A wedding cake is not just a cake in a Free Speech analysis. It is an artistic expression by the person making it that is to be used traditionally as a centerpiece in the celebration of a marriage."

A **North Carolina magistrate** who was forced to quit because her supervisor insisted she conduct same-sex "marriage" ceremonies in violation of her Christian beliefs has just settled with the state. NC will give her back pay, retirement benefits and pay her attorney fees.

Walgreens has adopted a Target-like policy allowing men who think they are women to use the women's restroom and vice versa.

California has sued the **Department of Justice** to force the release of records relating to AG Jeff Sessions' order to withhold funding from sanctuary states. They hope to prove the DOJ didn't consider the damage the requirements may cause.

New York Dept. of Ed guidelines: Schools should eliminate any "gender-based practices that have the effect of marginalizing, stigmatizing, stereotyping . . . or excluding students regardless of whether they are transgender or gender-nonconforming." No more father/daughter dance!!

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