



## American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update



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**Check Our Recent Interview**  
Mat Staver, Liberty Counsel-IRS Attack on Freedom  
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**News From Around PA**  
Three downtown Erie office condos, owned by abortionist **Steven Brigham**, were sold at a lien-free tax sale because of unpaid property taxes.

There is increased opposition to the proposed change in **Lackawanna County's** form of government from the three-commissioner system to home rule charter.

The **Legislative Budget and Finance Committee** is studying the potential effect of online gambling on Pennsylvania's casinos and state tax collections.

**Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, New Jersey, Pennsylvania & Vermont** will split \$281 million in federal

Race to the Top Early-Learning Challenge monies.

**News from National Scene**  
**Coca-Cola** has been dropped from the Brand of the Year shortlist at a gay magazine's award ceremony because of its Olympics sponsorship.

Under the Obama administration, Grand Canyon-sized loopholes in the **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act** or FERPA have opened data mining to third-party private entities. Example: Google can collect student /family data to target ads through services like Google Apps for Education or GAFE, YouTube for Schools, Blogger and Google Plus.

In late January oil shipments began to flow through **Keystone XL's** southern leg running from Cushing, Oklahoma to Nederland, Texas. Meanwhile another federal impact study has been completed showing no adverse affect in allowing the northern leg to be opened.

The **"farm bill"** has projected costs that are even greater than those of the Obama stimulus, and about 80

percent of the bill is just food stamps. The bill is filled with handouts to agriculture special interests. Food stamps should go to the truly needy; but if you have millions in the bank you can still be eligible and the new farm bill does nothing to address this absurd loophole.

**U.S. Supreme Court** issued an injunction protecting the Little Sisters of the Poor from having to comply with the Obamacare mandate on contraceptives, sterilization, and abortion-inducing drugs until their case is fully heard at the 10th Circuit Court. AFA of PA encourages Christians, through education, to become involved in pro-family issues in their community, state and the nation.

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