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### **Check Our Recent Interview**

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### **News From Around PA**

Philadelphia Mayor Jim Kenney has proposed the highest **sugary-drink tax** in the nation - three cents per ounce. Fountain drinks, served across the city at restaurants, stadiums, convenience stores, and theaters would be taxed at 4.5 cents per fluid ounce.

On March 2nd Caryn Hunt, president of the PA chapter of National Organization for Women spoke at **Allegheny College**, a United Methodist Church-affiliated school. Her presentation was entitled "A Field Guide to the Feminist Movement in Pennsylvania."

**PA Supreme Court** meted out a harsh public rebuke of a newly-elected Philadelphia Common Pleas Court judge, Scott DiClaudio, citing "serial misconduct" in his previous

work as criminal defense lawyer.

Legislation passed by the Pittsburgh City Council decriminalizing small amounts of **marijuana or hashish** is on hold as lawyers work out legal issues.

PA School Boards Association goes to court to ask for release of education funding. Governor Wolf's December 29th partially **vetoed budget** included a cut of more than \$3 billion to basic education. Also, members of the state's farming community were in the state Capitol this week urging lawmakers and Gov. Tom Wolf to restore that funding zeroed out by Wolf.

### **News from National Scene**

The dozen **failed ObamaCare cooperatives** have not repaid any of the \$1.2 billion in federal loans they received and still owe more than \$1 billion in additional liabilities.

The parents of 5 and 6 year olds in a Minnesota charter school were told in an email their students, "will listen to various books that celebrate differences and will be teaching children about the beauty of being themselves." One of those books, the

principal noted, would be **My Princess Boy**, a story that centers on a boy who sometimes likes to do traditional girl things like wear dresses.

**NY Governor Andrew Cuomo** has handed down an order banning private and public health insurers from covering therapy for minors with unwanted same-sex attraction.

Supreme Court Chief **Justice John Roberts** rejected a plea by 20 states to block a contentious air pollution rule for power plants. This came despite his court's 5-4 decision last year ruling that the EPA regulation, known as the Mercury and Air Toxics Standards, is illegal. 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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