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**News From Around PA**

Eight voters and the state GOP have filed a federal lawsuit hoping to lift an election code restriction that requires **poll watchers** to serve only in the counties in which they reside.

Altoona Area School District has accepted a plaque with the national motto, "**In God We Trust**," from the Class of 1966.

**HB 1288**, a bill prohibiting PA courts and judges from applying foreign legal code or systems i.e. sharia law, was advanced by the House State Gov't Committee.

Federal judge overturns a jury's verdict on 4 out of 22 counts against former **Congressman Chaka Fattah** due to insufficient evidence.

**Selinsgrove Area School District** will allow students to

use the restroom or locker room that matches their "gender identity" i.e. boys in the girls' showers.

Three transgender students, who are suing **Pine Richland School District**, are seeking a preliminary injunction demanding the district ends its "discriminatory" policy forcing students to use bathrooms in accordance with their biological sex.

**News from National Scene**

Probate Judges in at least eight **Alabama counties** are not issuing marriage licenses. Under Alabama law they are not required to issue them.

The Obama Administration is appealing **US District Judge Reed O'Connor's** nationwide injunction against the May edict demanding schools open their bathrooms, locker and shower rooms to the opposite sex.

The **US Dept. of State** met with representatives of Australia to dialogue about "advancing the human rights of gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) people."

**Nashville Mayor Megan Barry** signed a proclamation

in support of Planned Parenthood (PP) and commemorating its 100th birthday. A pink flag was flow over the city courthouse in honor of PP.

A new judicial initiative at **University of Kentucky** will bear the name of the judge -- John G. Heyburn-- who overturned KY's Marriage Protection Amendment!

**Medicaid** spending by the 31 states and District of Columbia that expanded the program is projected to climb 5.9 percent on average next year.

**Highlights** children's magazine is coming under fire for not including "gay" families.

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