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HB 1077 -Women's Right to Know Act has lost 32 co-sponsors – 19 Republicans, 13 Democrats – lowering the number of supporters to 81. Opponents have raised controversy about requiring women to obtain an ultrasound before an abortion. However, the truth is, abortionists already do ultrasounds before doing an abortion; they just don’t allow the women to see them. This bill would require that the mother see the ultrasound.

University of Pennsylvania insurance coverage now includes sex change operations for faculty and staff. They have been covering student sex change operations since 2010!

Philadelphia City Council unanimously approved Councilwoman-at-Large Blondell Reynolds Brown’s resolution in support of a bill that would exempt same-sex couples from paying state inheritance taxes. They want the State Legislature to change the tax laws to accommodate homosexuals.

Penn State Berks students recently heard from Rev. Barbara K. Peronteau, a transgender Berks County resident who began the transition from male to female nearly two years ago. With the college’s Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences Diversity Grant, "she" was able to tell "her" story. "She" is a minister with the United Church of Christ.

State Department’s Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor has changed its criteria for grants. Groups must now explain how the money will empower women, racial and ethnic minorities, religious minorities, disabled people, or lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people.

Snowflake Babies will be lost! Obama Administration has announced the Embryo Adoption program will be discontinued in FY2013.

Widened birth control mandate from the White House to require all universities, including religious universities, to provide contraception, sterilization, and abortion-inducing drugs to their students, as well as their employees, without a co-pay.

2013 Budget would add $3.5 trillion to annual deficits through 2022, according to a new estimate from the Congressional Budget Office.