



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

Eric Orts, professor at **Penn's Wharton School of the University of PA**, wrote an article entitled "The Path to Give California 12 Senators and Vermont Just One." He proposes Congress pass a law to create the change – number of US Senators based on state's population. He apparently has not read Article V of the Constitution which forbids unequal representation in the Senate without the state's consent. Note: direct election of Senators legalized by the 17th Amendment undermines the original purpose of Senate.

Congressman Tom Marino (R-12th) has announced his resignation effective as of January 23rd.

The effort to **ban porn** on campus has now spread to several student groups, including Catholic University of America, Harvard, Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania.

U.S. District Judge Wendy Beetlestone in Philly agreed with a lawsuit originally filed by PA and put a nationwide hold on administration rules that allow more employers to opt out of providing women with no-cost birth control. She cited the "potential harm" to states should the rules be enforced.

PA's Medicaid program does not provide coverage for abortion, unless the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest, or the abortion is necessary to avert the death of the mother. Abortion providers are again challenging this law and hope the Democrat-leaning PA Supreme Court will rule in their favor.

News From National Scene

A Marist poll indicates only 15 percent of all adults believe **abortion** should be available to a woman at any point during pregnancy. About 75 percent of respondents believe in some form of abortion restriction.

American Atheists and **Freedom From Religion Foundation** have sent threatening letters to public schools, parks and recreation

departments which might consider organizing trips to the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum.

The California **Department of Education** is proposing curricula that recommends using Planned Parenthood personnel to teach students about sexual health. Students would be taught to view religious boundaries of sexual activity as "spiritual abuse."

As **Colorado's first openly 'gay' governor** took his oath of office, the city of Denver voted to ban talk therapy for minors with unwanted same-sex attraction.

A federal judge ruled that the Trump administration cannot add to the **2020 U.S. Census** a question about respondents' citizenship. The decision has been appealed to the US Supreme Court.

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