



## 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**

**Remember State Rep Brian Sims?** He's the guy who likes to shout at and dox those praying outside Philly abortion clinics. He lost his race for Lt. Governor and did not run for re-election in his 182<sup>nd</sup> District, but he's still very much an activist. Sims is taking on the newly created position of managing director of public policy & government affairs for Out Leadership, a 98-member business and nonprofit organization "encouraging" states to pass LGBTQA+-friendly laws.

**Dem PA State Reps Benjamin Sanchez and Melissa Shusterman** are circulating a co-sponsorship memo for a bill "to establish a grant program to provide money for organizations, counties, and local governments that assist transgender individuals with changing their name".

### News From National Scene

**The Chicago Public Schools Office of Inspector General's Sexual Allegation Unit**

opened 447 cases investigating teachers for potential sex crimes in 2022. These include accusations of inappropriate touching, grooming, sexual abuse, rape, sexual comments, sexual electronic communications.

After 15 votes, Kevin McCarthy is **Speaker of the House** for the 118<sup>th</sup> Congress. Here are some of the concessions the Freedom Caucus forced him to make: Single member vote to oust speaker; votes on lawmaker term limits and border security; Freedom Caucus members on Rules Committee; pro-McCarthy PAC stays out of 'safe' primary races; reveal salaries of government officials; create Select Committee on "Weaponization of DOJ"; 72 hours to read bills before going to House floor and allow amendments to bills once they are on the floor. (NOTE: In January 2021, Democrats voted in lockstep to elect Nancy Pelosi as the Speaker of the House for the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress and one of the rules was changing pronouns and familial relationships in the House rules to be gender neutral. During the past two years, GOP members were

not permitted to amend bills and members were handed final 4,000-page bills and expected to vote on them within two hours!) The House Freedom Caucus wanted change. This requires lengthy debate and a willingness to stand against the establishment.

Since December when the FDA gave the okay to mail the **abortion pills mifepristone and misoprostol** the USPS has sought a DOJ legal opinion. The recent Justice Department opinion "specifies that the mailing of those drugs to a particular jurisdiction that may significantly restrict access to an abortion is not a sufficient basis" for the USPS to refuse to deliver them.

**CVS and Walgreens** have announced they will begin offering the abortion pill.

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