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News From Around PA

HB 1952 seeks to expand upon Act 10 of 2018, which re-implemented the Adam Walsh Act, commonly known as Megan’s Law. Both House Bill 1952 and Act 10 were needed to close any loopholes that may have allowed sexual offenders who were convicted before 2012 to skip the registration process. The legislation conforms the Adam Walsh Act to a decision by the PA Supreme Court.

Bucks County joins the ranks of local governments suing pharmaceutical companies, blaming them for opioid addiction problems.

In a 4-3 party-line vote the Borough of Hatboro passed a “non-discrimination” ordinance which includes “sexual orientation/gender identity or expression.”

Just 14 PA school districts, mostly in western counties, show negative balances. That means 97 percent of the state’s 500 districts have reserves. Even the ever-strapped Philadelphia School District shows a fund of $14 million. Latest statewide reserves (for 2016-17), including funds for charter and vocational schools, approach $5 billion; for school districts alone it’s $4.53 billion.

News from National Scene

After a major campaign to impose LGBTQ policies on the state’s 4-H youth program – including the admission of biological males into female restrooms, locker rooms, showers and overnight accommodations, as well as mandatory use of transgender pronouns – those in charge of Iowa’s 4-H program now say they will not be adopting the transgender guidelines.

J. Crew has revealed its “Love First” collection on its website, a selection of T-shirts, socks, and a tote bag featuring the phrases “love first” and “love to all.” Some of the items feature a rainbow motif, while others are adorned with the logo and the color scheme of the nation’s largest homosexual lobby group, the Human Rights Campaign, to whom the company is donating 50% of the items’ purchase price.

Steve Tennes will set up his booth for the first time in two years at the East Lansing, MI Farmer's Market, where he sells apples and apple cider. Tennes owns and operates the Country Mill Orchard, where he refused to host a same-sex wedding in 2016. The city refused to allow him to have a booth in 2017.

President Trump once again has refused to sign an LGBTQ Pride Month Proclamation!

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