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Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in

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News from Around PA

Good Bills this week: **HR 131**

– urging the federal government to eliminate the REAL ID program; **HB 1061** – requiring proof of citizenship in order to register to vote.

Bad Bills this week: **SB 510** –

grants to help pay for ‘transgenders’ to change their names on legal documents;

SB 477 – removing “sex” from birth certificates.

PA Supreme Court decision that was recently handed down stakes out a new pathway for determining parental rights -- intent-based parentage. Background: a “married” lesbian couple decided to “have a baby”. One of the women became pregnant through artificial insemination. The couple broke up, leaving the one woman who was not pregnant without a clear path to claim she was a “parent” to the child. The court’s decision now adds a fifth way for those seeking to claim a role as parents to a child: biology, parentage by presumption, adoption, when a child is born to

parents who have signed a contract and used artificial means to become pregnant and now “intent-based parentage”.

Bryn Athyn College in Montgomery County announced that they will end all of their sports programs and transition to club-only competition, citing financial difficulties. The change will save the college the financial equivalent of eleven full-time positions.

On Tuesday, Democrat James Malone defeated Republican Josh Parsons in the heavily GOP **36th Senate District in Lancaster County**. He won by 482. The seat had previously been held by Ryan Aument, who resigned in December to work for then US Senate-elect Dave McCormick.

On that same day the Democrat candidate won the special election in **Allegheny County**, thus giving the Democrats a one seat majority in the State House.

News From National Scene

Texas State Rep. Brian Harrison is demanding that the **University of Texas** at Austin shut down its Women’s, Gender and Sexuality Studies Department

after he snuck into a campus “transgender conference” and called it a “shock.”

A candidate for student government at the **University of North Carolina Asheville** was caught on video wrecking a pro-life display. The school is investigating the incident.

Dr. Michelle Reid, superintendent of **Fairfax County (Virginia) Public Schools**, defended a display that features an image of a coat hanger and a pregnancy test under the words “A is for Abortion.” The display is a West Springfield High School project for an elective Women’s History class.

Mississippi and South Dakota have passed laws keeping males out of female sports.

Maine has backed off in its standoff with the Trump Administration over men in women’s sports.

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