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News From Around PA

A former **York College** student who is gay alleges in a lawsuit that he was discriminated against based on his sexual orientation during a "sham" judicial hearing, which was held after he expressed romantic interest in a male student.

PA **Congressman Charlie Dent** was one of five Republicans to vote against the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. Lou Barletta, Brendan Boyle and Robert Brady did not vote on the bill. Congressmen Cartwright, Doyle, and Fattah joined other Dems to vote "Nay."

Senator Patrick Browne (R-Lehigh) has been charged with DUI after a motorcycle crash. Senator Kim Ward will serve as temporary chair of

Senate Appropriations until Browne returns.

By a vote of 40-7 SB 3, the **medical marijuana bill** passed in the State Senate.

Senate State Government Committee made the rare move of advancing Pedro Cortes' nomination to run the Department of State to full Senate for consideration without taking position on it.

News From National Scene

The **U.S. Census Bureau** has reversed itself on a plan to drop questions about marriage, death of a spouse and divorce from its American Community Survey. Many had protested the proposed elimination of the questions as hindering the ability to study trends impacting the family.

Despite over \$205 million in federal taxpayer funding, **Hawaii's Obamacare exchange** will soon shut down. The exchange has failed to become financially viable because of lower than expected enrollment figures.

Congress has appropriated over **\$4 billion in earmarks** this year despite a ban on

pork barrel spending, Citizens Against Government Waste has announced.

US House passed the **Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act** by a vote of 242-184, mostly along party lines. Four Democrats voted for it, while five Republicans voted against it.

House voted to strip an amendment from **National Defense Authorization Act** that would have allowed illegal aliens to enlist.

In Texas a bill has been introduced prohibiting state and local officials from using taxpayer dollars to issue marriage licenses to homosexual couples. We are a non-profit organization that is totally dependent upon financial gifts from our supporters. You can give online here <http://afaofpa.org/donate/>

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