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CASHING CHECKS

The PA Department of Revenue has stated the Commonwealth's General Fund collected \$6.2 billion in revenue for the month of March. When compared to fiscal year to date, the Commonwealth collected \$33.2 billion, which is \$34.3 million (0.1%) below estimate. In regard to specific taxes, last month, Pennsylvania received \$1.1 billion in Sales Tax, \$1.6 billion in Personal Income Tax, and \$3 billion in Corporation Tax. The Motor License Fund received \$206.8 million through the gas tax and other license, fine and fee revenues.

THE PRICE IS RIGHT DAWG

The Humane Society of the Harrisburg Area is letting adopters name their price for adult dogs, with about 40 eligible for this special event. The initiative helps open space for more animals, as adoptions typically slow down this time of year. To date, 20 dogs have found new homes. The shelter hopes the effort, which runs through Sunday, will encourage more people to adopt and support their mission.

DOGE GETS DOGED

Elon Musk will soon return to running his companies, stepping away from DOGE. The Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) wasn't meant to be permanent and might wind down earlier than its original July 4, 2026, deadline. Staff are shifting to other agencies, and layoffs are underway to cut costs. Although DOGE could wrap up in two or three months, Trump's broader plans to shake up Washington D.C. will continue. Musk's limited special-government-employee status also puts a clock on his involvement.

NOT TARIFF-IC

President **Donald Trump** implemented a 10% reciprocal tariff on most imported goods, alongside higher duties on select countries, sparking market turmoil and global backlash. China faces an additional 34% tariff, while U.S. allies like the EU and Japan are also hit with higher rates. Trump closed the "de minimis" trade loophole, ending duty-free shipments from China and Hong Kong starting May 2. Economists and international leaders warn that the tariffs could fuel inflation, slow growth, and push economies into recession.

THAT'S A WRAP

Congratulations to **Brandy Reiter** on her retirement from the PA Senate! She has given 36 years of public service to the Commonwealth. Her words on the announcement state that she worked "mostly to be more empathetic" and that "a little kindness can go a long way." Thank you for your service!



Happy Birthday

- Former State Representative **Ronald G. Waters**
- **Brandon Ferrance**, Senior Account Executive, Bravo Group
- **Leslie Richards**, Professor of Practice, University of Pennsylvania
- **Tammy Fox Rose**, Assistant General Counsel, GSL Public Strategies Group
- **Griffin Caruso**, Executive Director, PA House Game & Fisheries Committee

Committee Meetings

- (S) Democratic Policy – 10AM
- Joint public hearing with the House Democratic Policy Committee meeting on supporting emergency services and fire responders



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