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The State House will convene at 11 AM and the State Senate will convene at 1 PM.

FAKE OUT

Just hours into a declared ceasefire, Israel accused Iran of launching two missiles into its airspace. Iran denied the claim, and both missiles were reportedly intercepted. President **Donald Trump** said both nations had violated the fragile agreement and urged Israel to halt its bombing. While leaders on all sides said the ceasefire was active, Israel resumed strikes, citing Iranian aggression. Drone attacks in Iraq and damage in Beersheba added to the chaos. With mixed signals and mounting destruction, the future of the truce remains uncertain as the conflict stretches into its twelfth day.

FAKE ADS GET THE BOOT

Pennsylvania's House of Representatives has unanimously passed a bipartisan bill that would ban AI-generated deepfakes in political ads. The measure targets any media, like text, video, audio, or images, that falsely portrays a candidate without their consent. If enacted, violators spreading fake content within 90 days of an election could face civil court penalties. Introduced by a long list of candidates that are currently House members, the bill now heads to the State Senate. A similar Senate bill introduced in 2024 stalled in committee, but State Senator *Tracy Pennycuick* has signaled more AI-related election legislation is on the way.

DRONING ON

The Pennsylvania Senate has unanimously passed Senator Wayne Langerholc's SB

468, giving PennDOT (with the Governor's green light) authority to enter into agreements with other states to advance drone tech. Backed by over a dozen major aviation and tech groups, the bill aims to boost innovation, and economic growth. Langerholc says it positions Pennsylvania as a national drone leader, supporting regional prosperity. Its next stop, the House of Representatives.

GIMME SHELTER

The Lancaster SPCA is urgently seeking foster families after its HVAC system failed Monday, leaving most of the shelter dangerously hot. While the main dog kennel still has some cooling, the rest of the building is unfit for animals or staff. All cats have been relocated due to heat sensitivity, but over 30 dogs remain. The shelter is calling on preapproved fosters, new fosters, adopters, and rescue groups to step in. To help, contact the PSPCA's Lancaster Center at lancaster@pspca.orgor call 717-917-6979.

FREE COOLING

As the second day of this heat wave continues, some people in Adams County are still without power. To try to help ease the heat, Met-Ed is offering free ice and water to customers who do not have power. Affected customers can visit certain Giant locations in the Hanover and Gettysburg area to receive two 1-gallon containers of water and two 10-pound bags of ice.



Happy Birthday

- State Representative *Joe Hohenstein*
- John Breneman, Constituent Relations Specialist, Senator Judy Ward
- *Allie Kutz*, Manager, Government Affairs, PA Chamber of Business and Industry
- *Angela Bowie*, Vice President, Public Policy, Arise



Committee Meetings

- (H) Appropriations OTF Agenda to be announced
- (S) Appropriations OTF -To consider SB 64, 101, 375, 398, 416, 432, 583, 604, 733, 766, 780, 838 and 842 and HB 257
- (H) Professional Licensure OTF - Voting meeting on HB 1433 and SB 719
- (S) Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure – OTF
 To consider SB 507 and HB 309 and 1057
- (S) Game and Fisheries –
 9:00AM To consider SB 67, 476, 517, 533, 800 and HB103, 992 and 1431
- (H) Republican Policy 9:00AM - Public hearing on Government Efficiency in Action



- (S) Education 9:30AM To consider SB 877 and 878; and HB 354 and 1405
- (H) Transportation 9:30AM
 Voting meeting on SB 78, HB 649 and 1093
- (S) Law and Justice 10:00AM - Public hearing on intoxicating hemp products
- (H) Consumer Protection, Technology and Utilities – 10:00AM - Public hearing on House Bill 505 and Act 129 of 2008
- (H) Education 10:00AM Voting meeting on HB 938, 1536, and SB 315
- (S) State Government 10:30AM - To consider SB 460, 755, 782 and 784 and HB 553
- (S) Banking and Insurance 11:00AM - To consider HB211, 261 and 1103
- (S) Agriculture and Rural Affairs – 11:30AM - To consider the nominations for Pennsylvania Milk Board Nominees: Kristi Kassimer Harper and James Van Blarcom; and voting meeting for HB 615
- (S) Finance 11:30AM To consider SB 474 and 844 and HB 1189
- (S) Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness – 12:00PM - To consider SR 116; and HB 304, 797, 799 and 865 and to consider the promotion of the following PA National Guard Officers to rank of Brigadier General: Col. Brett J. Gagnon (PA Army National Guard), Col. Robert S. Noren (PA Air National Guard), Col. Brad W. Pierson (PA Air National Guard), and Col. John M. Wenzel (PA Army National Guard)
- (S) Community, Economic and Recreational Development – 12:30PM - To consider SB 478 and 783



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