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***The House will convene at 12pm
and the Senate will convene at
2pm***

SNOW MORE

The Groundhog Day tradition at Gobbler's Knob once again drew a crowd this morning to see if ***Punxsutawney Phil*** would see his shadow or not. For 139 years, Phil has predicted the weather (accurate or not, we won't tell), at what has become a national beloved ceremony. Drum Roll....Phil saw his shadow and we will have six more weeks of winter. Sorry snowbirds!

SPEAKING OF GROUNDHOG DAY

The race is on for Pennsylvania's 10th congressional district. Incumbent, ***Scott Perry***, is facing off against ***Janelle Stelson*** again for the seat. Each campaign has reportedly raised over \$2 million already. Trailing behind fellow democratic hopeful is Dauphin County Commissioner ***Justin Douglas*** who has filed just shy of \$56,000.

NO PHONES

In a recent social media post, Governor ***Josh Shapiro*** encouraged the general assembly to pass legislation banning cellphones in schools across the Commonwealth. The bill is sponsored by Senator ***Devlin Robinson*** (R-Allegheny) and was favorably reported from Senate Education last December. Experts (and those with common sense) believe phones distract students from learning and socializing, destroying kids from developing essential life skills. However, many, including students, believe this would cause chaos and break trust between students and teachers.

LOCAL CELEB

Jahri Evans, a Pennsylvania native, is set to become a coach for the Pittsburgh Steelers. It is unclear what his exact title will be, but he will be a part of **Mike McCarthy**'s staff. Hailing from Philadelphia, Evans played on the offensive line at Bloomsburg University from 2002 to 2005. From 2006 to 2015 he played for the Saints, where he made many achievements including being named to the Saints Hall of Fame. Good luck to Evans in his new position, representing the Keystone state!

COMEBACK KID

Lindsey Vonn was airlifted off a mountain after a crash during a practice run on Friday. She was taken to the hospital to be evaluated for a knee injury. The 41-year-old was set to make her first Olympic appearance after coming out of retirement. It is unclear if she will compete in Milan as early as next week, but her coach indicated that she is preparing to do so.



Happy Birthday

- **Kendra Lightner**
- **Gale House**
- **Jane E. Dannels** (100th Birthday)

Committee Meetings

- (H) Appropriations – OTF – To be announced
- (S) Rules and Executive Nominations – OTF – To consider: SB 327, SB 467, and certain executive nominations
- (S) Judiciary – OTF – To consider: HB 331, HB 1286, SB 44
- (H) Education – 9:30AM - Informational meeting on the Future Ready PA Index and Student Outcomes
- (H) Energy – 9:30AM – To consider: HB 1834
- (H) Energy – 10:00AM - Public hearing on HB 2150 and HB 2151
- (H) Aging and Older Adult Services – 10:00AM – To consider: HR 389
- (H) Environmental and Natural Resource Protection – 11:00AM – To consider: HB 1759
- (H) Housing and Community Development – 11:00AM - To

consider: HB 2023 and HB 2103

- (H) Tourism, Recreation and Economic Development – 11:30AM – To consider: HR 387, HR 395, HR 401
- (S) Transportation – 1:30PM – To consider: SB 203, SB 802, SB 990, HB 710



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