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Happy Budget Address Day!



*The House and Senate will
convene at 11am*

BUDGET ADDRESS

Governor **Josh Shapiro** will be giving his fourth official budget address. He is expected to focus his plan on affordability, public safety, housing, and guardrails on data center development as the biggest themes. It is rumoured to amount to a \$53.3 billion spending plan. As it is an election year, hope remains that this year's budget will be quickly resolved.

WHEN WILL IT END?

U.S. Speaker of the House **Mike Johnson** predicted on Sunday that a vote to end the partial government shutdown would be coming by today. The hold up on approving a budget lies in the funding of DHS. The funding of the department has been separated out of the bill to prevent a larger scale shutdown of all federal agencies, while both sides of the aisle can come together to continue discussions. Congressional Republicans and Democrats agree that moving forward needs to be a collaborative effort to avoid a shutdown like we saw a few months ago.

OIL TRADE

President **Donald Trump** announced a reduction in tariffs imposed against India from 25% to 18%. This agreement would also eliminate the additional 25% duty applied on India in response to their purchase of oil from Russia. President Trump and Prime Minister Modi have both expressed their pleasure in coming to this agreement.

MAKEOVER

On Sunday, President **Donald Trump** announced that The Kennedy Center will be temporarily closing starting July 4th of this year for construction. The construction is expected to take approximately two years. However, President Trump insists that the two-year shutdown is essential for the facility to become the finest facility of its caliber.

REAL ID OR PAY THE FEE

Travelers without the proper documentation can expect to be met with a \$45 fee instituted by TSA. A new system was introduced at the beginning of February to allow travelers without a REAL ID, passport, or pass card to continue to their destination using ConfirmID. This is an additional security checkpoint that, through a series of questions, will allow TSA agents to confirm someone's identity.



Happy Birthday

- *Former State Representative John D. McGinnis*
- *Katie Gingrich*, Intern, Greenlee Partners*



Committee Meetings

- (H) Appropriations – OTF – To be announced
- (H) Transportation – OTF – To consider: SB 997 and SB 1058
- (H) State Government – OTF – To consider: HB 1139, HB 1278, HB 1375, HB 1806, HR 56, HR 384, HR 390, HR 391, HR 394, HR 406, HR 409, SB 829
- (S) Appropriations – OTF – To consider: HB 538, HB 710, SB 116, SB 256, SB 704, SB 712, SB 782, SB 974, SB 1014
- (H) Health – 8:30AM – To consider: HB 2042, HR 203, HR 392, HR 399, HR 411
- (H) Game and Fisheries – 9:00AM - Informational meeting on the presentation of the Pennsylvania Game Commission's 2025 Annual Report
- (H) Intergovernmental Affairs and Operations – 9:00AM – To consider: HR 398
- (H) Labor and Industry – 9:00AM – To consider: HB 2189
- Joint Legislative Audit Advisory Commission – 10:00AM - Public

meeting to reorganize and review
annual audit



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