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HCO382 - Investing in the Future Redevelopment of Shopping Malls

Sponsor

Rep. Joshua Siegel (D)

Summary

Incentivizes municipalities and developers to work together to redevelop existing shopping malls into mixed-use communities.

Last Action

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HCO391 - Community Solar

Sponsor

Rep. Peter Schweyer (D)

Summary

Introduces the Community Solar program

Last Action

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HCO399 - Pennsylvania Open Markets Act

Sponsor

Rep. Tim Briggs (D)

Summary

Prohibits anti-competitive behavior in the market. Empowers the Attorney General to investigate companies that attempt to monopolize any part of the economy and increases penalties for antitrust violations.

Last Action

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HCO404 - Increase Penalties for Child Labor Act Violations (Former HB1354)

Sponsor

Rep. Regina G. Young (D)

Summary

Increases penalties for employers who are found to be violating Pennsylvania's Child Labor Act.

Last Action

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HCO412 - Updating Requirements for Public Swimming and Bathing Places**Sponsor**

Rep. Tim Briggs (D)

Summary

Amends Act 299 of 1931, otherwise known as the "Public Bathing Law," updating definitions and specifying which facilities require permits, lifeguards, and/or must be required to meet regulations related to water supply, safety, public notice and hygiene.

Last Action

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HCO419 - Eminent Domain Code Clarification**Sponsor**

Rep. Stephenie Scialabba (R)

Summary

Allows legal notices to be mailed by Certified Mail.

Last Action

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HCO424 - Short Term Rental Compliance Act**Sponsor**

Rep. Doyle Heffley (R)

Summary

Sets a statewide "code of conduct" for short term rentals.

Last Action

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HCO463 - Removing Lead from Drinking Water in Schools**Sponsor**

Rep. G. Roni Green (D)

Summary

Aims to require old drinking fountains to be replaced with lead-filtering water stations by 2026 and establish funding to help school districts achieve this goal.

Last Action

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HCO472 - Prevailing Wage for Green Energy Projects

Sponsor

Rep. Elizabeth Fiedler (D)

Summary

Requires a prevailing wage to be paid by businesses receiving a federal or state tax credit for renewable energy projects of a certain size.

Last Action

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HCO502 - Single Use Plastic: Polystyrene

Sponsor

Rep. Tim Briggs (D)

Summary

Prohibits food establishments from using styrofoam food and beverage containers as temporary packaging for prepared foods.

Last Action

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HCO508 - Investing in Infrastructure Improvements throughout Pennsylvania

Sponsor

Rep. Mary Isaacson (D)

Summary

Allocates \$3 billion into a fund designated for improving infrastructure throughout Pennsylvania.

Last Action

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HCO516 - PUC Inspection Records Transparency

Sponsor

Rep. Johnny Cepeda-Freytiz (D)

Summary

Removes procedures established in Act 156 of 2006 to allow PUC to share inspection records with state and federal agencies.

Last Action

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HCO540 - MS4 Data and Testing Expansion – Encouraging Accurate Watershed Storm Water Plans (Prior HB 207, 2023-24)

Sponsor

Rep. Barbara Gleim (R)

Summary

Enhances data collection to allow communities to better comply with Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) standards.

Last Action

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HCO542 - Prevailing Wage – Raising the Threshold for Applicability (Prior HB 208, 2023-24)

Sponsor

Rep. Barbara Gleim (R)

Summary

Updates the threshold of the Prevailing Wage Act for the effects of inflation.

Last Action

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HCO544 - Expanding the Unemployment Compensation Department Under an Emergency Disaster Order (Prior HB 210, 2023-24)

Sponsor

Rep. Barbara Gleim (R)

Summary

Allows for the expansion of the Department of Labor and Industry's (L&I) Unemployment Compensation Department upon an emergency disaster order.

Last Action

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HCO547 - Fish & Boat Commission: Right to Know

Sponsor

Rep. Clint Owlett (R)

Summary

Aims to amend the Right to Know Law, allowing the request of records created by the Fish & Boat Commission noncriminal investigations.

Last Action

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HCO549 - Stop Habitat Loss (Previously HB840)

Sponsor

Rep. Kristine C. Howard (D)

Summary

Aims to require, as part of the permitting process for new construction in undeveloped areas, the submission of a habitat impact study to the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

Last Action

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HCO553 - Protecting Pennsylvanians from Landslides

Sponsor

Rep. Emily Kinkead (D)

Summary

Aims to create a program within the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to provide coverage of landslides, slope movement, and sinkholes throughout the Commonwealth.

Last Action

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HCO564 - Improving our Business Climate - DOGE Style

Sponsor

Rep. Seth M. Grove (R)

Summary

Aims to improve Pennsylvania's business climate.

Last Action

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HCO569 - Your Vote Shouldn't Cost You Your Job (Former HB 220)

Sponsor

Rep. Mary Isaacson (D)

Summary

Aims to authorize two hours of time off work on an election day if an employee does not have enough time to vote before or after work.

Last Action

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HCO577 - Updating the Water Services Act

Sponsor

Rep. Lisa A. Borowski (D)

Summary

Amends Act 28 to require third-class cities that have adopted a home rule charter to obtain approval from 75% of the municipalities receiving water and wastewater from the authority and remove the population requirement.

Last Action

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HCO585 - House Govt Oversight Committee Recommendations for Lobbying Disclosure Law Update

Sponsor

Rep. Seth M. Grove (R)

Summary

Updates Lobbying Disclosure law by making lobbyists primary reporters, strengthening audit requirements and requiring first \$1 reporting.

Last Action

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SCO290 - Protecting Insurance Coverage for Individuals with Pre-existing Conditions

Sponsor

Sen. Vincent J. Hughes (D)

Summary

Enshrines in state law a prohibition on health insurance companies from using an individual's pre-existing medical condition to deny or exclude coverage under a health insurance policy.

Last Action

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SCO291 - Protecting the Essential Health Benefits for Insurance Policies Sold in Pennsylvania

Sponsor

Sen. Vincent J. Hughes (D)

Summary

Codifies the federal essential health benefits (EHB) into state law.

Last Action

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SCO294 - Automatic Three-Year Review of Economically Significant Regulations

Sponsor

Sen. Michele Brooks (R)

Summary

Provides for a one-time automatic review of all economically significant regulations established after the effective date of the bill's enactment.

Last Action

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SCO297 - Prohibiting counties that ban natural gas development from receiving county share of Impact Fee / MLF drilling funds**Sponsor**

Sen. Gene Yaw (R)

Summary

Prohibits counties that ban natural gas development under county-owned land from receiving their county share of Impact Fee drilling funds or being eligible applicants for Marcellus Legacy Fund grants administered by the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Last Action

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SCO304 - Senate Rules Reforms**Sponsor**

Sen. Katie J. Muth (D)

Summary

Resolution package reforming certain Senate Rules for the 2025-2026 Legislative Session.

Last Action

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SCO306 - Eminent Domain for Public Utility Pipelines**Sponsor**

Sen. Carolyn T. Comitta (D)

Summary

Prohibits petroleum or petroleum product transportation lines from being located within 100 meters of a "dwelling house" that is not located within the limits of any street, highway, water, or other public way or place and requires public utility corporations to receive approval from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission before using eminent domain to obtain property for the purpose of constructing a pipeline.

Last Action

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SCO308 - Prohibition of Lobbyists from Serving on State Appointments

Sponsor

Sen. Kristin Phillips-Hill (R)

Summary

Prohibits lobbyists from serving on state agency boards, commissions, committees and councils.

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SCO324 - General Contractor Responsibility

Sponsor

Sen. Nikil Saval (D)

Summary

Holds general contractors responsible for paying any employees up and down a worksite, even if they are hired by a subcontractor. In doing so, it offers subcontracted employees additional means of collecting when they are not paid for the work they have done.

Last Action

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SCO338 - Wage Theft Notification, Protection and Accountability

Sponsor

Sen. Christine M. Tartaglione (D)

Summary

Provides a legislative package intended to help address the practice of wage theft.

Last Action

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SCO358 - Public Notice Prior to Signing Collective Bargaining Agreements

Sponsor

Sen. Patrick J. Stefano (R)

Summary

Provides public notice of collective bargaining agreements prior to approval.

Last Action

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SCO359 - Workplace Misclassification Act

Sponsor

Sen. Nick Pisciotano (Sen.-Elect) (D)

Summary

Extends the Construction Worker Misclassification Act's (Act 72 of 2010) provisions to all independent contractors.

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SCO363 - Elevating DEP's Erosion and Sediment Control Permits

Sponsor

Sen. Camera Bartolotta (R)

Summary

Elevates existing Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Erosion & Sediment (E&S) control permit obligations into statute, requiring DEP to review permit applications consistent with their current, stated policy as well as establishing reporting requirements of DEP to the General Assembly to ensure accountability and transparency regarding the number of permits applied for and issued; the review times of applications; and the performance of DEP's various regional offices in complying with this act.

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SCO385 - Combating Cybersecurity Risks and Artificial Intelligence Right-to-Know Requests

Sponsor

Sen. Tracy Pennycuick (R)

Summary

Ensures that AI is not being utilized to overwhelm and exploit municipalities by protecting municipalities against cyber threats disguised as hyperlinks or attachments and preserves the right to appeal any decision or denial by a government's open-records officer.

Last Action

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SCO395 - Unemployment Compensation Eligibility Clarification

Sponsor

Sen. Michele Brooks (R)

Summary

Specifies the Unemployment Compensation (UC) Law regarding claimants who take actions to discourage their own hire in order to continue receiving benefits.

Last Action

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