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Bill Actions

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[HB 271](#) [Ortitay, Jason\(R\)](#)

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General Fund and a 4 percent local share, distributed in halves to the CFA and host municipalities. Provides that every Category 1 and Category 2 casino, except for one in Philadelphia, pays 2 percent to the host county and \$10 million to the host municipality. Makes other adjustments to local share payments by casinos to host jurisdictions. Makes changes to Category 3 casinos, including eliminating the access requirement. Delays the issuance of the remaining Category 1 license for three years. Permits the 24/7 sale of liquor under a casino liquor license. Makes various changes to Title 3, including reducing the fee for an electronic wagering license from \$500,000 to \$50,000 and the renewal fee from \$100,000 to \$10,000. (Prior Printer Number: 229, 1028, 1237, 1821, 1839)

Bill History: 06-21-17 S Discussed during informational meeting, House Aging and Older Adult Services -- House Aging and Older Adult Services
 07-17-17 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro, Senate Rules and Executive Nominations -- Senate Rules and Executive Nominations
 07-17-17 S Passed over in committee Senate Rules and Executive Nominations
 07-18-17 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro, Senate Rules and Executive Nominations -- Senate Rules and Executive Nominations
 07-18-17 S Meeting cancelled for 07/18/17, Senate Rules and Executive Nominations -- Senate Rules and Executive Nominations

[HB 831](#)

[Keller, Mark\(R\)](#)

(PN 1840) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in general provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for obedience to authorized persons directing traffic and providing for drivers in organized motorcycle processions; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following too closely. The bill allows the driver of a vehicle or motorcycle that is being driven in an organized motorcycle procession to park or stand irrespective of provisions and proceed past a red signal indication or stop sign if the lead vehicle or motorcycle in the procession started through the intersection while the signal indicator was green, only if the lead and trailing vehicle or motorcycle in an organized motorcycle procession is equipped with and displays a yellow flashing light, lighted head lamps and emergency flashers. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 1178)

Bill History: 06-16-17 S Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Transportation
 06-30-17 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro, Senate Transportation -- Senate Transportation
 06-30-17 S Reported as committed from Senate Transportation
 06-30-17 S First consideration
 07-18-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar

[HB 1152](#)

[Boback, Karen\(R\)](#)

(PN 2165) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in particular rights and immunities, waiving liability for a good-faith rescue of an individual from a motor vehicle if the individual is believed to be in imminent danger and in need of assistance to exit the vehicle. The rescuer must make an effort to locate the driver and contact emergency response. Effective

in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 1375)

Bill History: 07-07-17 H Reported as committed from House Appropriations
 07-07-17 Laid out for discussion 1:37pm
 07-07-17 Third consideration 1:37pm
 07-07-17 H Final Passage (Vote: Y:190/N: 0)
 07-14-17 S Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Judiciary

[HB 1216](#)

[Farry, Frank\(R\)](#)

(PN 2203) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in particular rights and immunities, providing for rescue from motor vehicle, waiving liability for a good-faith rescue of a dog or cat from a motor vehicle if the animal is believed to be in imminent danger. The rescuer must make an effort to locate the driver and contact emergency response. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 1444, 2166)

Bill History: 07-07-17 H Reported as committed from House Appropriations
 07-07-17 Laid out for discussion 1:39pm
 07-07-17 Third consideration 1:39pm
 07-07-17 H Final Passage (Vote: Y:190/N: 0)
 07-14-17 S Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Judiciary

[HB 1288](#)

[Marshall, Jim\(R\)](#)

(PN 1578) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, further providing for person with disability plate and placard. The bill adds optometrist to persons who can certify a statement that the person is disabled. Effective in 60 days.

Bill History: 06-21-17 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Transportation
 06-21-17 S Reported as committed from Senate Transportation
 06-21-17 S First consideration
 07-17-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar
 07-17-17 S Laid on the table (Pursuant to Senate Rule 9)

[HB 1294](#)

[Ward, Judith\(R\)](#)

(PN 2013) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, further providing for special plates for recipients of Purple Heart by allowing the plate to be used on a motorcycle. Effective in 120 days. (Prior Printer Number: 1590)

Bill History: 07-07-17 H Reported as committed from House Appropriations
 07-07-17 Laid out for discussion 1:45pm
 07-07-17 Third consideration 1:45pm
 07-07-17 H Final Passage (Vote: Y:190/N: 0)
 07-14-17 S Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Transportation

[HB 1346](#)

[Pyle, Jeff\(R\)](#)

(PN 2167) Amends Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 53 (Municipalities Generally), in burglary and other criminal intrusion, defining the offense of unlawful use of unmanned aircraft; and, in preemptions, prohibiting local regulation of unmanned aircraft. Includes an exception, with conditions, for aerial data collection. Effective in 90 days. (Prior Printer Number: 1672)

Bill History: 07-07-17 H Reported as committed from House Appropriations
 07-07-17 Laid out for discussion 2:02pm
 07-07-17 Third consideration 2:02pm
 07-07-17 H Final Passage (Vote: Y:190/N: 0)
 07-14-17 S Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Judiciary

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| HB 1426 | Fee, Mindy(R) | (PN 1794) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in size, weight and load, further providing for conditions of permits and security for damages, for permit for movement of construction equipment and for permit for movement of containerized cargo. A permitted vehicle, combination or load which does not exceed 135,000 pounds (increased from 107,000) gross weight and which does not exceed 10 feet in width or any height or length limitation under Subchapter B (relating to width, height and length) may be driven, hauled or towed 24 hours a day, seven days a week, if the vehicle or combination is operated at prevailing speeds. Movement under this subsection is not authorized during inclement weather. The holiday restriction is removed. Effective in 60 days. |
| Bill History: | | 07-08-17 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 39/N: 10) 07-09-17 H Signed in the House 07-09-17 S Signed in the Senate 07-10-17 G In the hands of the Governor 07-20-17 G Approved by the Governor (Act: 24) |
| HB 1670 | Hanna, Mike(D) | Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), providing for registration of horse-drawn vehicles and establishing the Horse-Drawn Vehicle Fund. |
| Bill History: | | 07-18-17 H Filed |
| HB 1672 | Burns, Frank(D) | Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1002, known as Friend Lea Road over US Route 219, Ebensburg Borough, Cambria County, as the Cyril Thomas Yeckley Memorial Bridge. |
| Bill History: | | 07-18-17 H Filed |
| HB 1678 | Barrar, Stephen(R) | Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in size, weight and load, further providing for limits on number of towed vehicles, for length of vehicles and for application to tow trucks. |
| Bill History: | | 07-20-17 H Filed |
| SB 56 | Greenleaf, Stewart(R) | (PN 37) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in safety and anti-pollution equipment, to require tinted windows to be tested as part of the vehicle inspection process and certain violations with regard to tinted windows to be a cause for inspection failure. Failure to disclose the fact that an alteration or modification of the tinted windows can be cause for inspection failure constitutes unfair trade practices by the automobile seller. Provides for advisory to consumers if they are not in compliance with windshield tinting restrictions. Exempts non-government vehicles used by a constable for prison transport. Effective in 60 days. |
| Bill History: | | 06-21-17 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Transportation 06-21-17 S Reported as committed from Senate Transportation 06-21-17 S First consideration 07-17-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar 07-17-17 S Laid on the table (Pursuant to Senate Rule 9) |
| SB 145 | Yaw, Gene(R) | (PN 120) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in accidents and accident reports, adding penalties for failure to give information and render aid. Effective in 60 days. |
| Bill History: | | 06-14-17 S First consideration 07-09-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar |

07-09-17 S Laid on the table (Pursuant to Senate Rule 9)
 07-17-17 S Removed from the table
 07-18-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar

[SB 289](#)

[White, Donald\(R\)](#)

(PN 1020) Act designating a bridge on that portion of old State Route 22 over the Conemaugh River in Blairsville Borough, Indiana County, as the Blairsville Area Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating that portion of State Route 4027, also known as Business U.S. Route 220, over the Norfolk Southern mainline railroad tracks in Grazierville, Snyder Township, Blair County, as the John Fredrick Bridges Memorial Bridge; designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 53825, on that portion of State Route 1011, also known as Castile Run Road, over the South Fork Tenmile Creek between Jefferson Township and Clarksville Borough, Greene County, as the PFC Brent A. McClellan Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 11 over the Susquehanna River between the City of Pittston and West Pittston Borough, Luzerne County, as the Specialist Dale J. Kridlo Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge at the junction of State Route 150 and State Route 64 over Fishing Creek in Mill Hall Borough, Clinton County, as the U.S. Navy SOC David M. Collins Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 2014 over Lycoming Creek, City of Williamsport, Lycoming County, as the Alexander M. McFadden Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 85 over the north branch of Plum Creek, Plumville Borough, Indiana County, as the Henry Lue Weaver Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on State Route 26 over Bald Eagle Creek, Howard Township, Centre County, as the Howard Area Veterans Bridge. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 275, 611, 959)

Bill History: 07-10-17 S Senate concurred in House amendments (Vote: Y: 49/N: 0)
 07-10-17 S Signed in the Senate
 07-10-17 H Signed in the House
 07-11-17 G In the hands of the Governor
 07-20-17 G Approved by the Governor (Act: 27)

[SB 553](#)

[Rafferty, John\(R\)](#)

(PN 1037) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in licensing of drivers, further providing for surrender of license, for period of disqualification, revocation or suspension of operating privilege, for driving while operating privilege is suspended or revoked, for chemical testing to determine amount of alcohol or controlled substance, for probationary license and for ignition interlock limited license; and, in driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for penalties, for ignition interlock and for illegally operating a motor vehicle not equipped with ignition interlock. The bill provides for chemical testing to determine amount of alcohol or controlled substance by establishing civil penalties for refusal in the maximum amount of \$2,000; and, in driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for penalties and for ignition interlock. Adds a restoration fee of \$1,000 if the department has previously suspended operating privilege under the section. Provisions amending sections relating to chemical testing, civil penalties for refusal, and ignition interlock shall take effect immediately. Provisions relating to restoration fees and limitation are effective in six months and the remainder of

the bill is effective in 15 months. (Prior Printer Number: 590, 949, 960)

Bill History: 07-10-17 S Senate concurred in House amendments (Vote: Y: 49/N: 0)
 07-10-17 S Signed in the Senate
 07-10-17 H Signed in the House
 07-11-17 G In the hands of the Governor
 07-20-17 G Approved by the Governor (Act: 30)

[SB 589](#)

[Langerholc, Wayne \(F\)\(R\)](#)

(PN 887) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in size, weight and load, further providing for fire apparatus, for length of vehicles and for maximum gross weight of vehicles. A vehicle operated by an engine fueled primarily by compressed or liquefied natural gas may exceed the gross vehicle weight limits by an amount, not to exceed a maximum of 2,000 pounds, that is equal to the difference between the weight of the vehicle attributable to the natural gas tank and fueling system carried by the vehicle and the weight of a comparable diesel tank and fueling system. The weight requirements of this chapter do not apply to emergency vehicles. In lieu of the weight requirements of this chapter, the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 127(R) (1) shall apply to emergency vehicles. Provides for a definition of "stinger-steered automobile" or "boat transporter." Further provides an automobile transporter shall not be prohibited from the transport of cargo or general freight on a backhaul if the transporter complies with the weight limitations for a motor vehicle. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 667, 756)

Bill History: 07-08-17 H Final Passage (Vote: Y:188/N: 0)
 07-08-17 S Signed in the Senate
 07-09-17 H Signed in the House
 07-10-17 G In the hands of the Governor
 07-20-17 G Approved by the Governor (Act: 31)

[SB 688](#)

[Browne, Patrick\(R\)](#)

(PN 1033) Act appropriating \$3,619,000 from the Philadelphia Taxicab and Limousine Regulatory Fund to the Philadelphia Parking Authority and \$2,000,000 from the Philadelphia Taxicab Medallion Fund to the Philadelphia Parking Authority for the fiscal year July 1, 2017, to June 30, 2018. Effective July 1, 2017, or immediately, whichever is later. (Prior Printer Number: 809)

Bill History: 07-09-17 S Signed in the Senate
 07-10-17 H Signed in the House
 07-10-17 G In the hands of the Governor
 07-20-17 G Last day for Governor's action
 07-21-17 G Became law without Governor's signature (Act: 10A)

[SB 753](#)

[Rafferty, John\(R\)](#)

(PN 958) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in miscellaneous provisions relating to accidents and accident reports, further providing for accident scene clearance by establishing liability shall not attach to a police department, commonwealth agency, commission, municipality, or traffic incident professional, absent a showing of gross negligence, for damage to a vehicle, property, or person as a result of a traffic accident when performing an incident clearance function. Expands the definition of "traffic incident professional" to include a person under contract with a Commonwealth agency, commission or municipality. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 932)

Bill History: 06-14-17 S First consideration
 06-19-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar
 06-19-17 S Laid on the table
 07-17-17 S Removed from the table
 07-18-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar

[SB 781](#)

[Brooks, Michele\(R\)](#)

(PN 1068) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, further providing for person with disability plate and placard by adding that upon request by a legislative district office, the department shall permit the legislative district office to issue temporary disability parking placards directly to individuals. A legislative district office shall electronically submit a copy of the completed application form with a health care provider's statement or a statement from a police officer that the individual is disabled to the department to enable the department to update its records to reflect the issuance of the temporary disability parking placard. The department shall supply the legislative district office with training and materials related to issuing, storing, ordering and returning placards. A temporary disability parking placard issued by a legislative district office is valid for a period of not more than six months. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 977)

Bill History: 07-08-17 Second consideration 3:58pm
 07-08-17 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations
 07-08-17 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro, Senate Appropriations -- Senate Appropriations
 07-08-17 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations
 07-18-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar

[SB 785](#)

[Rafferty, John\(R\)](#)

(PN 1092) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in registration of vehicles, further providing for vehicles exempt from registration; and providing for operation of golf carts. Vehicles exempt from registration include any self-propelled golf cart used for the transportation of persons or equipment for sporting, maintenance or recreational purpose while crossing certain public highways; as well as vehicles used for maintenance or college, university or seminary campus maintenance when such vehicle does not travel on public roads in excess of one mile and the property on both sides of the public road is owned by said entity. The bill adds a chapter providing for the operation of golf carts and for the designation of golf-cart crossings. A person between 12 and 16 years of age may not drive a golf cart across any highway unless the person is under the direct supervision of a person 18 years of age or older. Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number: 980)

Bill History: 07-18-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar
 07-18-17 Laid out for discussion 2:02pm
 07-18-17 S 1 Floor amendment(s) adopted
 07-18-17 Second consideration 2:02pm
 07-18-17 S Over in Senate

[SB 786](#)

[Rafferty, John\(R\)](#)

(PN 981) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensing of drivers, further providing for examination of applicant for driver's license; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for prohibiting text-based communications and providing for prohibiting use of interactive wireless communications device by novice drivers.

The bill prohibits the use of interactive wireless communications device by novice drivers and creates exception on their usage for emergencies. The portion of the examination for the applicant for driver's license on traffic laws shall contain at least one question on distracted driving relating to the driver's ability to understand the effects of distracted driving. The driver's manual shall include a section relating to distracted driving, the effects of distracted driving, the laws on distracted driving and related penalties. Effective in 60 days.

Bill History: 06-21-17 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Transportation
 06-21-17 S Reported as committed from Senate Transportation
 06-21-17 S First consideration
 07-17-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar
 07-17-17 S Laid on the table (Pursuant to Senate Rule 9)

[SB 792](#)

[Alloway, Richard\(R\)](#)

(PN 1004) Amends Title 3 (Agriculture) repealing the Fertilizer Act and creating a new Fertilizer Act; providing for fertilizer; in soil and plant amendment, further providing for disposition of funds; and, in seed, further providing for disposition of funds. The bill provides for the licensure of fertilizer manufacturers and guarantors; provides for registration of specialty fertilizers; stipulates contents of labels; provides explicitly for the contents of fertilizer sold at retail and intended for use on turf; establishes inspection fees and provides for inspections; requires tonnage reports; imposes penalties; requires the licensure of fertilizer application businesses and certification of their employees; provides for training of fertilizer technicians; provides for recordkeeping for applicators and airports; stipulates application rates, requirements and prohibitions; and requires the department to undertake a program of public outreach to educate the public on proper use, application, handling and storage of fertilizers. Portions are effective in 18 months; portions are effective upon the development of certification courses; portions are effective upon the development of recertification courses; and the remainder is effective immediately.

Bill History: 06-26-17 S Reported as committed from Senate Agriculture and Rural Affairs
 06-26-17 S First consideration
 07-17-17 S Set on the Senate Calendar
 07-17-17 Second consideration 3:29pm
 07-17-17 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations

Committee Stories

Senate Rules and Executive Nominations Committee

7/17/17, 3:10 p.m., Rules Committee Conference Room

By Nicole Trayer, Pennsylvania Legislative Services Intern

The committee met to consider executive nominations.

Certain [executive nominations](#) were unanimously **reported** from committee.

[HB 188 Causer, Martin](#) - (PN 155) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in fees, further providing for exemption of persons, entities and vehicles from fees by increasing the income threshold to \$23,500. Effective in 60 days. - The bill was **passed over**.

[HB 271 Ortity, Jason](#) - (PN 1942) Amends Titles 3 (Agriculture), 4 (Amusements) and 18 (Crimes & Offenses), providing for the legalization and regulation of fantasy sports, iLottery, iGaming, airport gaming tablets, Video Gaming Terminals (VGTs), sports betting, OTB slots, and casino simulcasting. Fantasy sports is authorized at a 19 percent tax rate to the General Fund with a \$50,000 license fee. iGaming is authorized with a 16 percent tax rate to the General Fund, a 3 percent local share (1 percent of which to the host county, 2 percent to the Department of Community and Economic Development for grants), and an \$8 million license fee for a casino and \$2 million license fee for iGaming vendor. Airport Gaming Tablets are authorized at a 16 percent tax rate to the General Fund, with a 20 percent local share to the airport, and license fee varying upon the location. VGTs are authorized at liquor establishments and truck stops, capped at 40,000 statewide, with a 37.5 percent tax rate to the Video Gaming Fund and a 4 percent local share, distributed in halves to the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA) and host municipalities. The Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board is authorized to issue licenses to casinos for sports betting only if there is a change in federal law or federal court ruling. Provides for casinos to offer OTB slots at a tax rate of 50 percent to the General Fund and a 4 percent local share, distributed in halves to the CFA and host municipalities. Provides that every Category 1 and Category 2 casino, except for one in Philadelphia, pays 2 percent to the host county and \$10 million to the host municipality. Makes other adjustments to local share payments by casinos to host jurisdictions. Makes changes to Category 3 casinos, including eliminating the access requirement. Delays the issuance of the remaining Category 1 license for three years. Permits the 24/7 sale of liquor under a casino liquor license. Makes various changes to Title 3, including reducing the fee for an electronic wagering license from \$500,000 to \$50,000 and the renewal fee from \$100,000 to \$10,000. (Prior Printer Number: 229, 1028, 1237, 1821, 1839) - The bill was **passed over**.

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[PENNDOT: APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING UNDER THE SECTION 5310 PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018](#)

The Department of Transportation Bureau of Public Transportation provided notice that it will receive applications for the State-administered Section 5310 Program, due by August 7 and available at <https://spportal.dot.pa.gov/Planning/AppReg/BPT-5310/Pages/default.aspx>. The program allows private nonprofit organizations and designated public bodies to apply for federal capital assistance to pay up to 80 percent of the purchase cost of new wheelchair accessible small transit vehicles used to provide transportation services for senior citizens and persons with disabilities who cannot be reasonably accommodated by existing transportation providers. Questions should be directed to John Levitsky, Bureau of Public Transportation, (717) 787-1206, jlevitsky@pa.gov.

[PENNDOT: TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING](#)

The Transportation Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on Thursday, July 27 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Commonwealth Keystone Building, Harrisburg. Questions should be directed to Ellen E. Sweeney, (717) 787-2913, ellsweeney@pa.gov.

[MMB: HEARING AND PRESUBMISSION SCHEDULE; ALL MILK MARKETING AREAS; DIESEL FUEL ADD-ON TO THE OVER-ORDER PREMIUM](#)

The Milk Marketing Board will conduct a public hearing for Milk Marketing Areas 1—6 on August 30 at 9 a.m. in the Agriculture Building, Harrisburg to receive testimony and exhibits concerning the diesel fuel add-on to the over-order premium. Details on presenting testimony or an exhibit are available in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

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Upcoming Events

Press Conference

Rally for a Hands Free PA(unconfirmed)
7/25/2017 - 1:00 PM, Main Capitol Rotunda, Harrisburg

PA Public Utility Commission

July 24, 2017 - 1:00 p.m., Washington County Building, 100 W. Beau St., Room 103 Washington
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

July 24, 2017 - 6:00 p.m., Getaway Café, 3049 Sussex Ave., Pittsburgh
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

July 25, 2017 - 1:00 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn, 555 Synergy Drive, Uniontown
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA State Transportation Advisory Committee

July 27, 2017 - 10:00 a.m., Commonwealth Keystone Building, Room 8N1, 400 North Street, Harrisburg
Committee Meeting. For additional information: (717) 787-2913

PA Public Utility Commission

July 27, 2017 - 1:00 p.m., Commonwealth Keystone Building, Hearing Room 1, 400 North St., Harrisburg
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

July 27, 2017 - 6:00 p.m., Camp Hill Fire Department, 2198 Walnut St., Camp Hill
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Turnpike Commission

August 1, 2017 - 10:00 a.m., Turnpike Admin. Bldg, Large Board Room, 700 S. Eisenhower Blvd., 3rd Fl., Middletown
Commission Meeting. For additional information: (717) 831-7333

PA Public Utility Commission

August 1, 2017 - 1:00 p.m., King's College, Sheehy-Farmer Campus Center, 133 N. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

August 1, 2017 - 6:00 p.m., East Stroudsburg University, The Innovation Center Rm 336, 562 Independence Road, East Stroudsburg
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

August 3, 2017 - 10:00 a.m., Commonwealth Keystone Building, Hearing Room 1, 400 North St., Harrisburg
Public Meeting. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

August 3, 2017 - 1:00 p.m., East Fallowfield Township Building, 2264 Strasburg Road, East Fallowfield
Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

PA Public Utility Commission

August 3, 2017 - 6:00 p.m. , The Inn at Reading, 1040 Park Road, Wyomissing

Public Input Hearing for Rate Increase Request by PA American Water Company. For additional information: (717) 783-1740

Session Schedule

Senate

The Senate is in recess and on a six-hour call of the President Pro Tempore

House

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In the News

- 07-20-2017 [FedEx Freight Drivers Reject Teamsters in Pennsylvania](#)
(Press Release)
- 07-20-2017 [Shaler gets \\$200K in funding toward Three Rivers Heritage Trail extension](#)
Shaler commissioners have taken a step toward extending the Three Rivers Heritage Trail, a multi-use, 24-mile trail with riverfront portions through the township. During a July 11 meeting, the commissioners unanimously voted to accept \$200,000 in funding from the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission's... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-20-2017 [Pennsylvania not following California on lane changes for self-driving vehicles](#)
California often is seen as the vanguard of national trends, from policy to entertainment, but Pennsylvania isn't following the Golden State's move to modify roadways for self-driving vehicles. The California Department of Transportation, Caltrans, is increasing the... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-20-2017 ['Reimagining' Westmoreland's many advantages](#)
Westmoreland County, like many areas of Western Pennsylvania, has its challenges. But unlike other counties, we are not shying away from those challenges. We are taking them head on and maximizing our many assets. Our county is home to global high-tech companies, respected institutions of... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-20-2017 [The Thursday wrap](#)
Pittsburgh's police commanders shouldn't have to join the police union simply to live outside city limits. Regardless of the union's vote rejecting the commanders' bid for membership, the state's highest court has concurred with an arbitration panel, which determined that unionized police... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-20-2017 [NJ Transit weighs disciplinary actions over canceled trains](#)
TRENTON, N.J. (AP) - New Jersey Transit is weighing whether it can pursue disciplinary action against train engineers after a manpower shortage forced dozens of ride cancellations this week amid summerlong track work at New York's Penn Station, an agency official told lawmakers Wednesday... - [AP](#)
- 07-20-2017 [Pa. cites turnpike for erosion control problems but says heavy rain caused McDonald flooding](#)
A state inspection found numerous deficiencies in the installation of erosion and sedimentation controls at a highway excavation site in McDonald, but unusually heavy rain likely was more responsible for flooding of a half dozen homes and several businesses last week.... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-20-2017 [Emmaus seeks solution to busing 'disaster' at Seven Generations Charter School](#)
Empty buses are parked at the Whitehall High School stadium parking lot. The only thing missing are bus drivers, a commodity that is difficult to find, say transportation supervisors at the Whitehall-Coplay School District. (File photo/The Morning Call) Margie Peterson/Special to The Morning Call... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 07-20-2017 [Bucks County biker clubs want to overhaul the bad-boy image](#)
Seeing a bunch of bikers in the rear-view mirror might conjure up a bit of anxiety, especially since popular culture's image of a motorcycle rider isn't one of a law-abiding citizen. Think the terrorizing Marlon Brando in the 1953 film "The Wild One," or the bikers who deal in drugs and weapons... - [Levittown Bucks County](#)

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- 07-20-2017 [**EDITORIAL East Washington divided on speed humps**](#)
Exceeding the speed limit seems to be a national norm, and it isn't limited to interstates and other open highways where motorists, in some sections of this country, can legally rev it up to 85 mph. These scofflaws also can be found on local roads and residential streets.... - [Washington Observer-Reporter](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Airport CEO backs FAA reform bill privatizing air-traffic controllers**](#)
FINDLAY TWP. -- Allegheny County Airport Authority's chief executive officer is calling for the U.S. House to approve a bill reforming the Federal Aviation Administration, including the privatization of air-traffic controllers, but one lawmaker says the legislation is "on... - [Beaver County Times](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Trump Refugee Restrictions Allowed for Now; Ban on Grandparents Is Rejected**](#)
The Supreme Court on Wednesday temporarily upheld broad restrictions against refugees entering the United States but allowed grandparents and other relatives of American residents to come while legal challenges to the Trump administration's travel ban move forward.... - [New York Times](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Annual turnpike increases are bad for the economy**](#)
Just because you can do something doesn't mean you should. The perfect example is the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission's annual toll rate increase. - [Somerset Daily](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**PennDOT looking at options for aging bridge in Spring Creek**](#)
PennDOT is looking for input on what to do with a bridge in Spring Creek Township that is nearly 130 years old. Department spokesperson Jim Carroll said in a statement on Wednesday that a meeting has been set for Thursday, August 3 regarding the Cemetery Road... - [Warren Times Observer](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Historical society sues NJ DOT for razing 1700s Hugg-Harrison house**](#)
The fix was in, the die was cast, the deck was stacked — and a priceless piece of American history that survived the Revolutionary War never stood a chance against a highway construction project. That's the contention of a lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**PennDOT looking to improve train stations**](#)
PennDOT is considering upgrades to train stations across the Midstate. "It seems like a lot of the trains have been forgotten and I was not aware that there were so many people that rode the passenger train," William Moore of Pittsburgh said. "It was kind of eye opening for me. I... - [Carlisle Sentinel](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**County to vote on transportation study in Shenango Township**](#)
Lawrence County Commissioners are scheduled to vote next week on undertaking a transportation study that targets state Route 65 and Route 422 in Shenango Township. County Commissioner Dan Vogler said the study would mirror one already completed along the Route 18 corridor in New Castle and Neshannock... - [Ellwood City Ledger](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Barletta grieves PennDOT worker's death**](#)
A Hazleton man's death along Interstate 81 was mentioned by U.S. Rep. Lou Barletta on Tuesday as he highlighted the need for stronger safety measures in highway work zones. Barletta, R-11, Hazleton, discussed the June 9 death of Michael Friendly, 41, during a hearing in the House Transportation and Infrastructure... - [Hazleton Standard-Speaker](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Port Authority: Bus that crashed into Brookline cannon was mechanically sound**](#)
A Port Authority investigation has found no mechanical problems with a bus that hopped a curb in Brookline and ended up impaled on a cannon after driving through the neighborhood's war memorial park July 8. "The bus has been examined thoroughly ... There's been nothing... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**Luxury condos proposed at site of Downtown parking garage**](#)
The same developer behind the restoration of the Union Trust Building on Grant Street is proposing to erect up to 185 condominiums as part of a major new parking garage development at Ninth Street and Penn Avenue, Downtown. Pittsburgh Parking Authority board members agreed today to enter into... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

- 07-20-2017 [**SEPTA cops release body cam footage of police-involved shooting**](#)

Body camera footage from SEPTA Transit Police officers who were involved in a shooting Wednesday evening in Kensington shows an officer repeatedly yelling for a man who allegedly shot his wife to put his hands up before seven Philadelphia and SEPTA police officers fire at him.... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

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[Wolf Administration's 'Road MaP' Initiative Improving Two Monroe County Roadways](#)
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[PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards Named First Female PA Turnpike Chair](#)
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[Daimler to recall 3 million Mercedes-Benz cars in Europe to ease diesel doubts](#)
FRANKFURT, Germany — German automaker Daimler will voluntarily recall 3 million Mercedes-Benz brand cars with diesel engines in Europe to improve their emissions performance, the company said Tuesday in the wake of widespread public debate over the future of diesel... - [AP](#)

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[Too bad Christie connection to Bonusgate scandal wasn't made](#)
Seeing the admitted mastermind of the Bridgegate scandal get off with probation might have been easier to swallow if the architect of the bullying culture that spawned the sophomoric plot received some punishment. But Gov. Christie skated free as well. David Wildstein, who described his job at the Port Authority of New York... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

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[Pa. Turnpike yearly toll hike driving traffic off target: analyst](#)
The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission's eighth straight annual toll increase, approved in a board meeting Tuesday, is meant to help fund the turnpike's \$500 million annual capital budget, plus \$450 million for mass transit systems. But the hike will likely drive more users away,... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

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[Your Pa. Turnpike tolls are going up](#)
Motorists will be paying more to travel the Pennsylvania Turnpike starting in January. A 6 percent increase for both E-ZPass holders and cash customers will take effect Jan. 7, the Turnpike Commission announced Tuesday. "The Turnpike Commission is obligated by state law to augment... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)

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[Erie road projects progressing quickly, delays ahead](#)
Major construction in Millcreek and Saegertown will reduce congestion and improve safety. In the meantime, expect delays. Major road work underway in the Erie area this summer is progressing faster than expected, but not as fast as drivers would like. The most extensive and most visible project, on Interchange Road, continues... - [Erie Times-News](#)

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[Pennsylvania Turnpike tolls to rise again](#)
The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has approved a 6 percent toll increase for E-ZPass and cash customers, a move the state auditor general said he saw coming a year ago. The increase will take effect Jan. 7. The decision was made at the commission's bimonthly meeting Tuesday.... - [Reading Eagle](#)

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[Allen residents decry plans for another warehouse project — this one totaling 2.5 million square feet](#)
Plans for 2.5 million-square-feet of warehouse space in Allen Township were rolled out Monday during a Planning Commission meeting, where a spillover crowd raised concern over the impact of another major distribution center in their midst. In a joint venture, the Jaiindl Land Company and Watson Land Company want to... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)

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[Another first for PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards, of Montgomery County: First woman to lead PA Turnpike Commission](#)
The first woman to lead the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation is now the first woman to lead the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. Montgomery County resident and former county Commissioner Leslie S. Richards was appointed chair of the Turnpike Commission under a... - [Levittown Intelligencer](#)

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[City hopes to open 'test' bikeway on West Chestnut Street in spring, reducing motor vehicles to 1 lane](#)

Lancaster city officials are preparing to move forward with a test of a two-way bikeway that would reduce part of West Chestnut Street to one travel lane for motor vehicles. Director of Public Works Charlotte Katzenmoyer and deputy director Cindy McCormick provided a brief overview of the idea at last week's Traffic... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)

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[Not just bike lanes: Upcoming city street painting to add 50+ parking spaces downtown](#)

Lancaster city's traffic commission gave its blessing last week to the first phase of the city's bicycle network and to changes to lane markings on several streets that will add more than 50 curbside parking spaces downtown. The pavement painting for the combined project is planned for August and... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)

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[Pa. turnpike OKs 6 percent toll increase to take effect in January](#)

HARRISBURG, Pa. -- Another year, another rate hike. The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission on Tuesday approved a 6 percent increase in the price of tolls that will take effect Jan. 7. A typical fare for a passenger car will increase from \$1.23 to \$1.30 for E-ZPass customers and from \$1.90 to \$2.10 for those paying in cash.... - [Easton Express-Times](#)

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[United Airlines Profit Rises Despite Boycott Threats Over Passenger Treatment](#)

So much for the outrage directed at United Airlines. On Tuesday, the carrier released its first financial statement that included the period after security officers forcibly removed a 69-year-old passenger, Dr. David Dao, from a plane. The incident left him bloodied and... - [New York Times](#)

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[It can happen to you](#)

People who text or do other things while driving, have a false sense of confidence about their abilities. However, it's never safe to drive while impaired or while your eyes are looking at your phone. Other people could be crossing the highway or you may miss a traffic signal.... - [Somerset Daily](#)

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[Vintage autos tour Northern Tier, Williamsport](#)

WELLSBORO — It was a gathering of chrome, spoked wheels and “aaooogaa” horns Monday evening as the Antique Automobile Club of America converged on the Penn-Wells Hotel to launch its sanctioned five-day tour of the Twin Tiers of Pennsylvania and New York. The “vintage” tour includes vehicles from Canada, United States and... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)

07-19-2017

[Discussions continue for downtown intersection](#)

The word on the street is “roundabout.” The issue of the intersection at Pennsylvania Ave. and Market St. continues. Survey crews were at the intersection Tuesday to gather information that PennDOT will use to determine whether a roundabout is feasible, according... - [Warren Times Observer](#)

07-19-2017

[Helping hand](#)

The Trails at Jakes Rocks has been awarded grant dollars from a national bicycling infrastructure organization. Warren County is among a list of areas with trails, including Helena, Mont. ; New York, New York; Peninsula, Ohio; Arlington, Mass.; Mobile, Ala.;... - [Warren Times Observer](#)

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[Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission Approves 6 Percent Toll Increase For Next Year](#)

Commuters will be paying a higher toll on the Pennsylvania Turnpike next year. On Tuesday, the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission approved a 6 percent toll increase for E-ZPass and cash customers. Philadelphia Reminding Residents Not To Recycle Greasy Pizza Boxes... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)

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[Mack's second-quarter orders surge 58%](#)

For the second consecutive quarter, Mack Trucks delivered fewer trucks than a year ago but received a surge in orders as a result of an active construction segment and slowly improving freight environment in North America. But the decline in deliveries wasn't nearly as pronounced as the first... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)

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[Project replaces two aging regional bridges](#)

Work on a project to replace two aging and structurally deficient bridges in PennDOT's northwest region will shift next month to Route 19 in Coolspring Township, Mercer County. Replacement work is expected to begin Aug. 2 on a 12-foot-long bridge on Route 19 over a tributary to Otter Creek in Coolspring Township. The bridge... - [Meadville Tribune](#)

- 07-19-2017 [Turnpike commission approves 6 percent toll increase](#)
 The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission Tuesday approved a 6 percent toll increase for both E-ZPass and cash customers, according to a release from the commission. The increase is set to take effect on Jan. 7, 2018. The most common toll for a passenger vehicle will increase next year from... - [Carlisle Sentinel](#)
- 07-19-2017 [PennDOT secretary named chair of turnpike commission](#)
 PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards was named chair of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, as part of a reorganization approved Tuesday during a bi-monthly meeting. Richards is the first woman to hold the position. "I have had the honor of serving as the commonwealth's first female... - [Carlisle Sentinel](#)
- 07-19-2017 [Supreme Court allows Trump travel ban enforcement, but says it must allow broader exemptions for relatives](#)
 The Supreme Court on Wednesday once again compromised on President Trump's travel ban, saying the government may enforce tightened restrictions on refugees for now but also must allow into the country more travelers from six mostly Muslim countries who have family members already... - [Washington Post](#)
- 07-19-2017 [Trump Refugee Restrictions Allowed for Now; Ban on Grandparents Rejected](#)
 The Supreme Court on Wednesday temporarily allowed the Trump administration to enforce restrictions on the nation's refugee program, but it let stand a court order from Hawaii that grandparents and other relatives who want to travel to the United States to visit family must be... - [New York Times](#)
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- 07-19-2017 [Cops can't take warrantless blood draws from unconscious DUI suspects, Pa. Supreme Court rules](#)
 Police can't legally draw blood from unconscious drunken driving suspects without first getting a search warrant, a divided Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruled Wednesday. That decision wasn't unanimous. Justice Sallie Updyke Mundy issued a dissenting opinion, finding that... - [Harrisburg Patriot-News](#)
- 07-18-2017 [AG DePasquale Comments on Pennsylvania Turnpike Vote Today to Raise Tolls by 6%](#)
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- 07-18-2017 [Stateline Daily: Airport Parking Takes Hit From Uber, Lyft](#)
 (Press Release)
- 07-18-2017 [PA Turnpike Commission Approves Six Percent Toll Increase for 2018](#)
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- 07-18-2017 [As Bridgegate book closes, two characters prepare to move on](#)
 The incendiary careers of an unlikely pair of politically precocious, baseball-besotted former Livingston High School friends in their mid-50s sputtered out recently — one in a federal courtroom in Newark, the other on the sands of Island Beach State Park. David Wildstein, 55, an acerbic former blogger identified in headlines as... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
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 Distracted drivers will be targeted for the next week in a state police enforcement. The Pennsylvania State Police and agencies in five other states will begin the initiative Sunday and continue through Saturday, according to a news release. Troopers will be looking for behaviors associated with distracted driving... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-18-2017 [Alle-Kiski Tuesday takes](#)
 Colorful first step: The Kafa Buna Coffee and Tea Shop mural along Fifth Avenue in New Kensington certainly is an eye-catcher. The blast of colors — keeping with the coffee shop's Ethiopian theme — is much needed in an area struggling to reinvent itself. Artist Tim Engelhart's painting... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

- 07-18-2017 [Late car payments drive rise in fixed-loan delinquencies](#)
 The prices of new and used cars keep rising every year, which means consumers are borrowing more to make the purchases and the monthly payments for cars and car-related expenses are squeezing many households budgets to the maximum. New cars now cost an average \$35,000, compared with an average \$31,000 in... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 07-18-2017 [A Brighter Future for Electric Cars and the Planet](#)
 There is simply no credible way to address climate change without changing the way we get from here to there, meaning cars, trucks, planes and any other gas-guzzling forms of transportation. That is why it is so heartening to see electric cars, considered curios for the rich or eccentric or both... - [New York Times](#)
- 07-18-2017 [How Trump Is Stealthily Carrying Out His Muslim Ban](#)
 Lost amid the uproar over the Trump administration's travel restrictions on citizens from Muslim-majority countries and the impending showdown at the Supreme Court are the insidious ways that the government has already begun to impose a Muslim ban. It's doing so through deceptively boring means: increasing... - [New York Times](#)
- 07-18-2017 [Pa. bill would protect a person who breaks a car window to rescue a child from hot car](#)
 There really is no acceptable reason not to rescue an unattended child from a locked, hot car, even if it means breaking a window to reach the child. Now, a bill introduced by state Rep. Karen Boback, R-District 117, would provide civil immunity to any good Samaritan for any damage to a vehicle... - [Lebanon Daily News](#)
- 07-18-2017 [Turnpike tolls to increase 6 percent next year](#)
 The Pennsylvania Turnpike has announced tolls on the highway will increase 6 percent next year for both E-ZPass and cash customers. The turnpike said the toll increase is required to, among other things, provide funding to PennDOT to support public transportation statewide and... - [Harrisburg Patriot-News](#)
- 07-18-2017 [Your PA Turnpike tolls are going up](#)
 Motorists will be paying more to travel the Pennsylvania Turnpike starting in January. A 6 percent increase for both E-ZPass holders and cash customers will take effect on Jan. 7, the turnpike commission announced Tuesday. "The Turnpike Commission is obligated by state law to augment... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 07-18-2017 [Pennsylvania Turnpike tolls to rise 6 percent again next year](#)
 The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission will raise tolls for cash customers and E-ZPass users another 6 percent in January, the 10th year in a row fees have increased for the interstate. The turnpike commission voted, 5-0, Tuesday to increase the tolls beginning... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-17-2017 [Proposal for red-light cameras draws wide views](#)
 YOUR COVER STORY on Monday, July 10, 2017, "Another Fine Mess Ahead," regarding Rep. John Taylor's bill to install speed cameras on the Roosevelt Boulevard, misses the larger more important story about safety on Philadelphia's roadways. While the story attempted to sniff out a red light camera moneymaking... - [Philadelphia Daily News](#)
- 07-17-2017 [Pittsburgh's Healthy Ride not so healthy, but changes are on the way](#)
 When Healthy Ride, Pittsburgh's bike share program launched in the summer of 2015, the system's 50 stations and 500 bikes were put to good use, seeing over 30,000 rides that summer. Unfortunately for the non-profit network of bikes and its promised healthiness, however, the last two years... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-17-2017 [Two Big Highway Projects Could See New Life](#)
 Local planners are looking to see how they can leverage more funds and advocate for the advancement of two major highway projects that have long been dormant. The Centre County Metropolitan Planning Organization's coordinating committee gave the nod to staff recently to use some of the... - [State College News](#)
- 07-17-2017 [Republicans are playing politics with the gas tax again. No wonder they have no power in California](#)
 Assemblyman Travis Allen (R-Huntington Beach) has hitched his political star to the campaign to repeal the "gas tax" — a package of vehicle fees and fuel taxes that the Legislature passed earlier this year to

raise \$52 billion over 10 years for transportation projects. The... - [Los Angeles Times](#)

- 07-17-2017 [Pittsburgh-area gas prices continue to fall](#)
Pittsburgh gasoline prices have fallen an average 0.5 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.53 cents per gallon, according to a daily survey of 731 gasoline outlets in Pittsburgh conducted by the price-tracking website GasBuddy.com. This compares with the national average price for gasoline that has fallen... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-17-2017 [Letter From the Editor: Job & wedding meet in the pipeline](#)
These days, in this job, there is no escaping the news. It follows you everywhere. That includes 200 miles west on the Pennsylvania Turnpike. Let me try to explain. I recently had a very good reason to make the trek across nearly the width of Pennsylvania. I was heading to Jennerstown, in Somerset County, to see my son marry the... - [West Chester Daily Local News](#)
- 07-17-2017 [SEPTA, EMS prepare for regional rail emergency](#)
On any other Sunday the Media Regional Rail Station is pretty quiet compared to the normal hustle and bustle of the weekday, but July 16 was a lot different. Dozens of emergency and SEPTA personnel helped injured passengers and engineers off two train cars that were filled with smoke after a train hit... - [Primos Delaware County Daily and Sunday Times](#)
- 07-17-2017 [CATA 'looking forward' to fueling station, growth](#)
More than 75 officials from Crawford County and the surrounding northwestern region of the state gathered Friday for the inaugural Crawford Area Transportation Authority Retreat at the Iroquois Boating and Fishing Club. The occasion comes at an auspicious time for the 38-year-old authority. A... - [Meadville Tribune](#)
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- 07-17-2017 [Uber rolls out in-app tipping](#)
As a part of Uber's "180 Days of Change" initiative, a company-wide plan to improve the driving experience, the ride-hailing company unveiled in-app tipping Monday afternoon. In an email to drivers, the company noted that on Tuesday, it also would double each driver's tips by matching with a donation.... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-17-2017 [Uber's app now lets you tip your driver in Pittsburgh](#)
Uber drivers in Pittsburgh can now earn a little extra on their trips. But only if they deserve it. Uber rolled out tipping in Pittsburgh and other cities on Monday. Riders can add a tip after rating their ride through the app. The app suggests a \$1, \$2 or \$5 tip, and riders can enter a custom amount. Riders... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-16-2017 [South Fayette property owner feels pain of Southern Beltway construction](#)
About 45 years ago, Jerry and Judith Mazza seized an opportunity with another couple to buy and split a 50-acre, heavily wooded site straddling the Allegheny-Washington County line near South Fayette. Mr. Mazza has lived there since, building his house himself and leading his version of... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-16-2017 [McDonald residents nervous as turnpike addresses Southern Beltway runoff problems](#)
Daniel Armstrong didn't sleep much Thursday night because he was watching weather radar, monitoring the movement of rainstorms through the McDonald area. Mr. Armstrong was concerned that his home on Reissing Road would be flooded for the second time in a week by runoff from excavation for a section of... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 07-16-2017 [Pay the fines: PennDOT should take a firm stand on bridge fire](#)
The state Department of Transportation is demonstrating low regard for public safety — and sending a bad message to its contractors — by allowing the Joseph B. Fay Co. to do an end run around more than \$3 million in penalties the company incurred for a fire that shut down the Liberty... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)

- 07-16-2017 [**Brian O'Neill: Cars for zooming ahead in life**](#)
 Lesley Broff's father was rightly wary of this deal on a used car, because any deal that sounds too good to be true generally is. But as a mental health peer counselor, Ms. Broff had been helping a client find a car so he could go back to work. That's when she stumbled upon... - [*Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Scranton special counsel defends legal fees in sewer, parking deals**](#)
 Scranton's special counsel in the sewer and parking transactions on Friday defended his legal fees of \$200,000 per transaction as "very, very reasonable," and said he would ask Mayor Bill Courtright to waive attorney-client privilege and release documentation detailing his services.... - [*Scranton Times*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Blunder spark city in reverse**](#)
 The Marketplace at Steamtown's announcement this week that it will acquiesce to monopolized high downtown parking rates landed with a thud even though it has been expected for some time. No date was announced for the switch from free to paid parking for marketplace patrons. But it's part of a comprehensive, complex downtown... - [*Scranton Times*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Wilkes-Barre's budget balance decreases as snow-cleanup expenses paid**](#)
 The city's budget balance shrunk by a little more than \$1 million in June as expenses increased more than revenues, according to a draft of the monthly financial report. Revenues as of June 30 increased by \$2.4 million from the previous month to \$27.7 million, but expenses rose by \$3.4 million to \$18.3 million. The... - [*Wilkes-Barre Times Leader*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Schuylkill River Trail extended in Pottstown**](#)
 Using a forklift, workers moved rocks off the banks of the Schuylkill River as part of a \$1.2 million project to extend the Schuylkill River Trail along Industrial Highway in Pottstown. "This style of the trail is called the weathered-steel look," Ken Martin,... - [*Reading Eagle*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Editorial: New cycling event promises thrills for racers, fans.**](#)
 Bringing professional bicycle racing to the area is beneficial in many ways. - [*Reading Eagle*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Short takes: PennDOT to address fate of Titusville bridge**](#)
 The South Perry Street bridge in Titusville is deteriorating and won't be repaired or replaced. A recent study concluded that there's no great need for the bridge and that no state or federal funds should be spent to improve it, according to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.... - [*Erie Times-News*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Donora approves another application for state funds for Rails-to-Trails study**](#)
 Donora Council approved an application for a \$100,000 Multimodal Transportation Fund grant from the state Department of Community and Economic Development to study the feasibility of a rails-to-trails project in that borough. Thank you for reading! Please log in, or sign up for a new account and purchase a subscription to... - [*Uniontown Herald-Standard*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Howertown Park in bull's-eye of FedEx Ground road widening project**](#)
 A walking trail at Howertown Park is in the bull's-eye of improvements being made on Route 329 as part of the construction of the FedEx Ground hub in Allen Township. The park features baseball and soccer fields and a half-mile walking trail. As part of the plan to widen the road, The Rockefeller Group, the owner/... - [*Allentown Morning Call*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Grandparents Win Reprieve From Trump Travel Ban in Federal Court**](#)
 A federal judge in Hawaii ruled late Thursday that the Trump administration's temporary ban on travelers from six predominantly Muslim countries and on refugees should not prevent grandparents and other close relatives of residents from entering the United States.... - [*New York Times*](#)
- 07-16-2017 [**Trooper injured in Turnpike service station attack, police say**](#)
 A man from Canada is accused of injuring a state trooper during an incident at a Pennsylvania Turnpike service station in Westmoreland County. Police were called to the Hempfield service plaza at 9:40 am. on Wednesday for a report of a man "intentionally bumping into patrons and pushing/... - [*Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*](#)
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Police and agencies in five other states will begin the initiative Sunday and continue through Saturday, according to a news release. Troopers will be looking for behaviors associated with distracted driving... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)

- 07-16-2017 [Gas price wars benefit Alle-Kiski Valley motorists](#)
Philosophers and musicians have long contemplated what war is good for. For Alle-Kiski Valley drivers, the answer isn't "absolutely nothing." There now are four spots around the region where clusters of gas stations appear to be engaging in price wars. In some cases, the competition among... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 07-14-2017 [Northern route unlikely](#)
The issue that JaNean Karlie discussed with the Antis Township supervisors last week isn't unique to the area in which she lives. Development oftentimes triggers impacts beyond what are envisioned or intended. For Karlie and those who reside near her, recent construction has resulted... - [Altoona Mirror](#)
- 07-14-2017 [Bill tracker: opening roads to driverless vehicles](#)
Each legislative session thousands of bills and amendments are introduced in the Pennsylvania Legislature. Only a fraction become law, and an even smaller portion receive wide media coverage. These bills impact the lives of people living in Pennsylvania every day.... - [Carlisle Sentinel](#)
- 07-14-2017 [Tuktuk tours are held to a different standard than buggy rides, PUC official says](#)
A tuktuk ride in Lancaster city is governed by the state Public Utility Commission's regulations because it "offers rides for compensation," a PUC spokesman said Thursday. But Amish buggy rides, which take tourists for rides along busy highways in Lancaster County where vehicles travel much faster than the city's 25... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 07-14-2017 [Warrington approves truck ban on two roads, then votes to defer enforcing ordinance](#)
One resident called the Warrington supervisors' approval to defer enforcement of a truck prohibition ordinance on two roads that was passed just minutes earlier "a travesty of justice." The deferral, as discussed by board members, is to give time for the township engineer and representatives of Victory Gardens to discuss... - [Levittown Intelligencer](#)
- 07-14-2017 [EQT has footprint in Valley communities](#)
EQT has its footprint in the Mid-Mon Valley, both in drilling and community support, Stephanie Paluda told business leaders. Paluda, local government and community affairs specialist for EQT, along with manager of local government and community affairs Nathaniel Manchin... - [Uniontown Herald-Standard](#)
- 07-14-2017 [\\$3.3 million grant for airport construction](#)
The Williamsport Regional Airport was awarded \$3.3 million in grant money from the Federal Aviation Administration, to go toward new construction, said Airport Director Thomas Hart during the airport authority's meeting Thursday. The funds will specifically go toward the milling and overlay of a runway... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
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