

PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SUMMER 2026

PROTECTING FAYETTE COUNTY from Unchecked Data Center Development

The technologies we rely on every day, including cloud storage and artificial intelligence, have fueled an unprecedented surge in demand for data centers across Pennsylvania. While these facilities support modern technology, they also place growing pressure on our communities, farmland, infrastructure and natural resources.

Decisions about if and where data centers are built should remain local. I will always support local control because the people who live and work in our communities – not outside corporations – deserve to decide what is best for their neighborhoods.

At the state level, my goal is to ensure local officials have the tools they need to protect their communities and make informed decisions.

I recently voted for House Bill 2150, creating the Data Center Energy and Water Reporting Act. This legislation would require data centers to annually report their energy and water consumption, along with projected future usage. Pennsylvanians deserve transparency about the strain these facilities place on our power grid and water supply.

I also co-sponsored House Bill 2533, which would allow municipalities to impose an 18-month moratorium on new and unapproved data center applications while they update zoning ordinances and establish policies addressing power supply, water consumption, noise, traffic, setbacks and other local concerns.

The push for data centers has accelerated dramatically, and I share the concerns of many residents about protecting our farmland, preserving our water and energy resources, and ensuring rapid development does not permanently alter the character of our communities. As additional legislation comes before the House, I will continue to support common-sense measures that strengthen local control, protect our natural resources, and put the interests of Fayette County families ahead of large data center developers.

WARNER: Let's Slash Gasoline, Diesel Taxes

The pain at the pump is all too real these days. While the rising cost of gasoline and diesel fuel is affecting people around the country, the impact here in PA is even worse because of our exorbitant state fuel tax rates.

To provide some relief, I am introducing legislation that would gradually reduce our gasoline and diesel taxes to match the average fuel tax rates of our bordering states. What does that mean for you?

Pennsylvania drivers pay 57.6 cents in taxes per gallon of gasoline each time they fill the tank. My bill would reduce the rate to 35.5 cents, a savings of more than 20 cents per gallon. If you have a 20-gallon tank, that's a savings of more than \$4 every time you fill your tank. If you fill that tank twice a week for 52 weeks, you are saving more than \$400 per year.

For diesel drivers, the tax is even higher at 74.1 cents per gallon here in PA. Under my bill, it would drop to 37.4 cents, cutting the current rate almost in half. Imagine you are a trucking business putting 100-200 gallons of diesel in your 18-wheeler. The savings is significant, so much so that maybe the goods you are hauling won't have to go up in price to cover fuel costs.

PA's fuel tax burden harms our families and incentivizes border-area residents and commercial operators to purchase fuel outside Pennsylvania, resulting in lost economic activity for our gas stations, truck stops and local businesses near state lines. It's time for change.

GOVERNMENT SPENDING PROBLEMS Persist in 2026-27 Budget

In early July, the General Assembly completed the 2026-27 state budget – a \$50.8 billion plan that spends too much and puts Pennsylvania taxpayers on the path toward a future tax hike. Relying on one-time funds and accounting gimmicks to pay for recurring government expenses is reckless, unsustainable and a recipe for disaster.

I voted “no.”

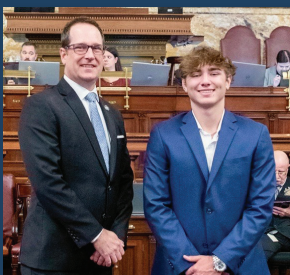
It's time to stop growing government on the backs of taxpayers. If Harrisburg supposedly has this much money to spend, then it's time to give some of it back to the hardworking people who earned it. Instead of pouring more money into new government programs we do not need, let's provide meaningful tax relief so families can better afford their day-to-day expenses.

Eliminating property taxes or the inheritance tax and lowering the gas tax would make a real difference for Pennsylvania families and business owners. Harrisburg does not have a revenue problem – it has a spending problem, and taxpayers should not be forced to pay the price.

COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS



Speaking at opening ceremonies for the Merrittstown July 4th parade.



Honoring state champion wrestler Kai Vielma, Connellsville Area High School.



Stopping by the Dunbar Township building to check out new equipment funded through a Local Share Account grant.



Joining U.S. Sen. Dave McCormick for a tour at Heartland Fabrication in Brownsville.

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SENIOR SCAM SEMINAR

Friday, Aug. 28 | 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Connellsville Area Senior Center
100 E. Fayette St., Connellsville**

A representative from the PA Office of Attorney General will be on hand to educate senior citizens about protecting themselves from fraud and making sure they know who to call if they are concerned about their safety and well-being. We will also be assisting with Do Not Call list verification/sign-ups.

Please RSVP by calling the Connellsville office at 724-437-1105 or online at www.RepWarner.com/events.

CONCEALED CARRY SEMINAR

co-hosted with Rep. Charity Grimm Krupa

Thursday, Sept. 3 | 6-8 p.m.

**Fayette County Fairgrounds, Fiddler's Hall
132 Pechin Road, Dunbar**

Fayette County Sheriff James Custer, Fayette County District Attorney Michael Aubele and Firearms Owners Against Crime Institute President Jim Stoker will discuss Pennsylvania's concealed carry laws and the Castle Doctrine.

Please RSVP by calling 724-438-6100 or online at RepGrimmKrupa.com/events.



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