Webinar Wednesday

PRLA Update
Legislative Update
Election preview

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2018 Government Affairs Recap

MEMBER BENEFIT SPOTLIGHT

Advocacy

3,883 BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE 2017/18 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

445 BILLS TRACKED BY THE PRLA GA TEAM

78.1 MINUTES OF TESTIMONY PRLA & OUR MEMBERS GAVE AT 6 HEARINGS

30 YEARS OF HOSTING LEGISLATIVE DAY FOR OUR MEMBERS

68 # OF LEGISLATORS & THEIR STAFF WHO ATTENDED ONE OF THE 12 STATE LEGISLATIVE ROUNDTABLES

288 # OF MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED THE 12 STATE LEGISLATIVE ROUNDTABLES

150+ # OF MEETINGS & POLITICAL EVENTS THE GA TEAM ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF PRLA MEMBERS

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2018 PAC/Advocacy Fund Recap
https://www.prla.org/pacadvocacy-fund.html
2018 Legislative Recap
Major Statewide Legislative Items

• Redistricting reform
  – What didn’t happen…

• Size of the legislature
  – What didn’t happen…

• Gun control
  – What did happen…

• Statute of limitations
  – Grand jury report
State Issues—Tourism/Hospitality

• HB 1511 (Marguerite Quinn—R, Bucks)
  – Closing the online travel company loophole

• Tourism funding

• HB 1810 (Doyle Heffley—R, Carbon)
  – Registration of online home sharing sites

• SB 1172 (Randy Vulakovich—R, Allegheny)
  – Price gouging fix
State Issues—Restaurants/Liquor/Business

• HB 1497 (Barry Jozwiak—R, Berks)
  – Liquor omnibus
• HB 861 (Seth Grove—R, York)
  – Statewide labor preemption
• HB 2241 (Mark Mustio—R, Allegheny)
  – Food and drink tax preemption
Federal Issues

• Restore 15 year depreciation
• Americans with Disabilities Act Reform
  – Websites/lawsuits
• Music licensing reform
• Federal overtime threshold
Local Issues
Red State, Blue City

• Philadelphia
  – Predictive scheduling—Hearing October 30, 2018
  – Sodium warning label—taking effect September 2019

• Pittsburgh
Federal Elections

• U.S. Senate Race
  – Bob Casey (D) vs. Lou Barletta (R)

• PA Supreme Court—Federal Redistricting
  – 5 seats likely to flip

• PA Congressional make-up
  – Trump backlash/midterm elections

• Where will we end up?
  – Democrats will take control of the U.S. House
  – U.S. Senate is a toss-up, Republicans may be able to hold on by one
State Elections

• Lots of turnover
  – 28 legislators retiring, 4 lost in the primary, 5 are running for different seats

• Southeast is key again
  – 5 seats could flip in the southeast, 1 in the Lehigh Valley and 1 out west.

• Gubernatorial race
  – It is Wolf’s race to lose, and he won’t

• Predictions
  – The House and Senate will retain Republican majorities—but not by much.
2019 Legislative Forecast

- Redistricting reform and size of the legislature will not go away.
- Minimum wage/tipped wage
- Other PRLA priorities
  - Comprehensive liquor bill—Committee leadership turnover
  - Post-Labor Day school start
  - Online home sharing registration
What are you doing next week?
PRLA Fall Meeting & Foodservice Expo—October 21-23

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HOSPITALITY & TOURISM INDUSTRIES
AT THE PRLA ANNUAL MEETING

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