



FETTERMAN CELEBRATES 21ST CENTURY ROAD TO HOUSING ACT BECOMING LAW

After President Trump refused to sign the bipartisan and bicameral *21st Century ROAD to Housing Act*, the housing package was forced into law as outlined in Article 1, Section 7 of the U.S. Constitution. The legislative package included a pair of bills Senator Fetterman introduced — the *Whole-Home Repairs Act* and the *Housing Supply Frameworks Act* — and were the result of working across the aisle and putting the housing needs of hardworking Americans first. Read Senator Fetterman's statement below and read more [here](#).

"I'm proud to finally see this housing deal become law. My Whole-Home Repairs Act and Housing Supply Frameworks Act will lower housing costs and keep affordable housing on the market."

"This is a major step in fighting the housing crisis we see right here in Pennsylvania and across our country. I'm grateful to Pennsylvania Senator Nikil Saval, U.S. Senator Cynthia Lummis, and all others who helped in a bipartisan manner to get this over the finish line."

OPINION: WHY I CHANGED MY MIND ABOUT THE FILIBUSTER

The 60-vote Senate rule forces compromise. Democrats were wrong to attack it.

The Washington Post

[By: John Fetterman](#)



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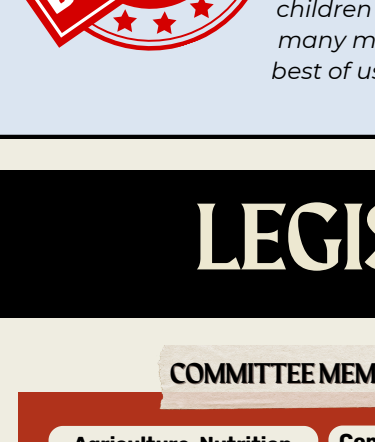
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Pennsylvania Wins "BEST IN SHOW" at the Great American State Fair

"I'm incredibly proud of all the Pennsylvanians that showed up to make sure our Commonwealth had the spotlight it deserved right there on the National Mall during America's 250th birthday. It earned this recognition," **said Senator Fetterman**. "What makes Pennsylvania truly awesome are the men, women, and children who call it home. Our farmers, steelworkers, small business owners, and so many more. Those who visited the pavilion got to see a glimpse of some of the very best of us and our history, and I'm grateful to Senator McCormick, Secretary Rollins, and all who made this a massive success."



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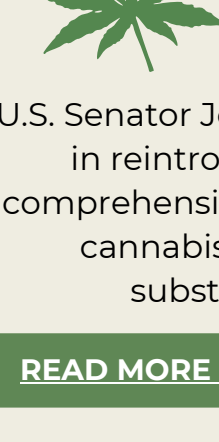
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Fetterman Joins Colleagues in Reintroducing Federal Marijuana Legalization Bill

U.S. Senator John Fetterman (D-PA) joined his Senate Democratic colleagues in reintroducing the *Cannabis Administration and Opportunity Act*, comprehensive legislation that would end the harmful federal prohibition of cannabis by removing cannabis from the list of federally controlled substances and empowering states to create their own laws.

[READ MORE ON THE BILL AND SENATOR FETTERMAN'S LEGISLATIVE HISTORY](#)

At Fetterman's Urging, FEMA Continues to Release Disaster Recovery Funding

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) released nearly \$13.5 million in funding to support disaster recovery in Pennsylvania. The funding is the latest to be released after U.S. Senator John Fetterman (D-PA) penned a letter in April urging the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to release delayed grants to entities across the Commonwealth.

"I'm grateful that FEMA continues to release funding that was owed to communities across the Commonwealth," said Senator Fetterman. "Our communities count on hospitals and disaster recovery teams to work overtime to keep them safe. We should expect the same of the federal government."

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Fetterman Secures \$25 Million for Colebrookdale Railroad Project

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced a \$25 million grant award for a railway improvement project along the Colebrookdale Railroad in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. The award comes after U.S. Senator John Fetterman (D-PA) penned a letter of support to Secretary of Transportation Sean Duffy highlighting the safety and economic benefits of federal investment in this historic railroad.

"When we invest in historic landmarks like the Colebrookdale Railroad, we invest in Pennsylvania's future," said Senator Fetterman. "I'm proud to have fought for this funding and am grateful to Secretary Duffy for his commitment to this hidden Pennsylvania treasure, which will continue to play a critical role in the region's economic future."

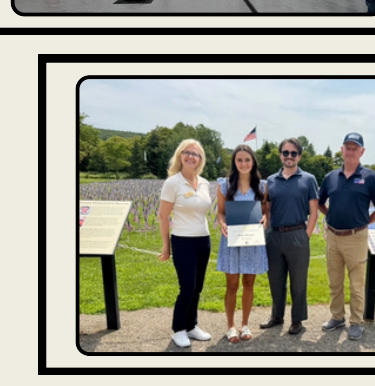
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Fetterman Introduces Legislation to Improve the FCC's Broadband Mapping Process

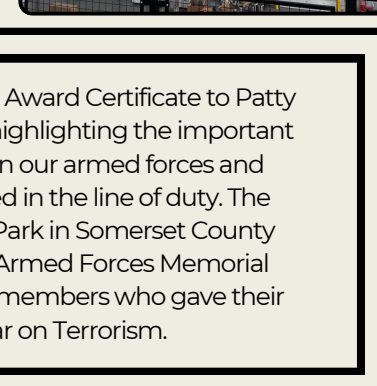
U.S. Senators John Fetterman (D-PA), John Thune (R-SD), and Deb Fischer (R-NE) introduced the *Broadband Mapping Accurate Providers (MAP) Act of 2026*, bipartisan legislation that directs the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to evaluate and improve its broadband mapping process. The FCC has made significant strides in enhancing the accuracy of its National Broadband Map, but providers have reported difficulties with the FCC's challenge process, which allows providers to dispute the serviceability of certain locations. The *Broadband MAP Act of 2026* would instruct the FCC to review and assess its mapping and challenge procedures.

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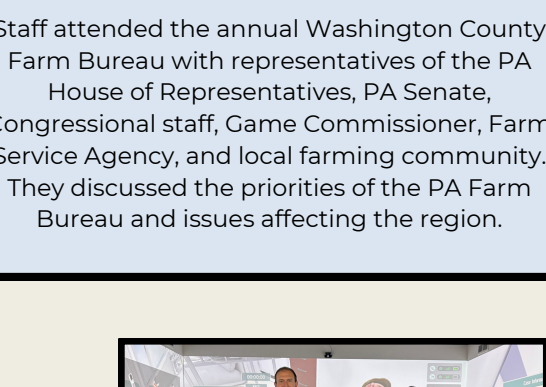
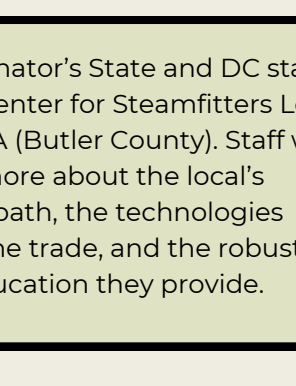
The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers built a state-of-the-art apprentice lineman training school in Kingston, PA (Luzerne County). IBEW Local 1319 is nearly 1000 members strong and their members keep the lights and power on for 32 Northern PA counties.



Staff presented a Girl Scout Gold Award Certificate to Patty Kovacs. Patty created a display highlighting the important role of military working dogs in our armed forces and honoring those who were killed in the line of duty. The plaque is on display at Patriot Park in Somerset County which hosts the Post-9/11 U.S. Armed Forces Memorial offering a tribute to the service members who gave their lives in the Global War on Terrorism.



After a \$1M appropriations investment in Erie's new Cornerstone Community Land Trust (CCLT), the doors opened at 811 W. 7th Street. The volunteer-led rehabilitation partnership between Our West Bayfront and the Cornerstone Community Land Trust involved nearly 3 years of planning, resulted in the first sustainable and affordable housing property in the land trust's portfolio. The former blighted property will provide homeownership to a family that may not have been able to obtain homeownership through traditional means.



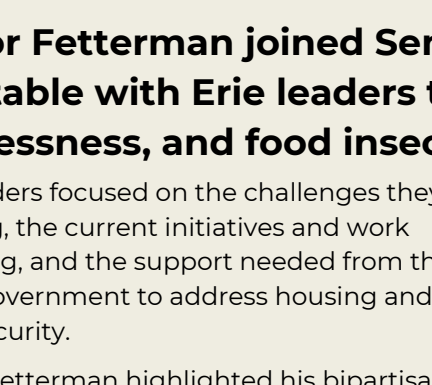
Staff attended the annual Washington County Farm Bureau with representatives of the PA House of Representatives, PA Senate, Congressional Staff, Game Commission, Farm Service Agency, and local farming community. They discussed the priorities of the PA Farm Bureau and issues affecting the region.



Joining regional stakeholders at Waynesburg University, our staff heard about developments at the institution and toured their state-of-the-art nursing program.



Our staff in Northeast PA attended the Isuzu veterans apprenticeship program launch in Pittston, Luzerne County. This program will help Veterans obtain careers after service.



Our newly appointed State Director, Elizabeth Casertano, and Eastern Regional Director, Tia Watson, attended the South Philadelphia PhilaPort inauguration celebrating the return of passenger cruise lines to Philadelphia, while bringing jobs and tourism opportunity to the city.

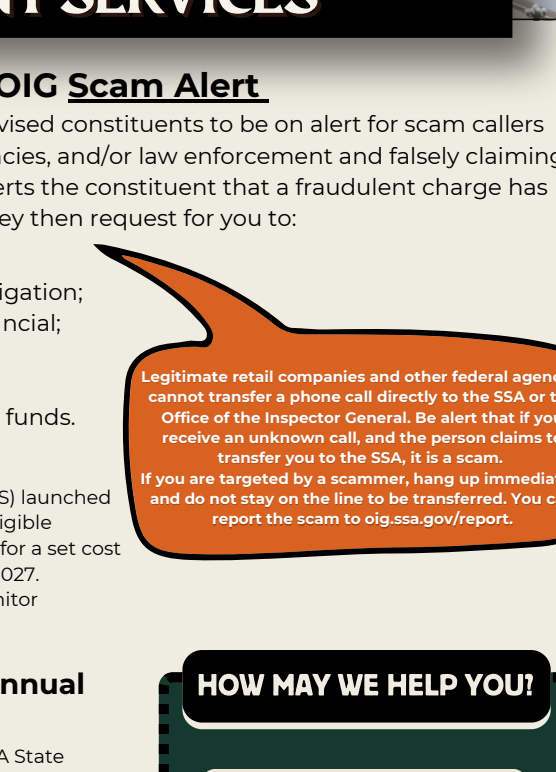


Our staff met with Valley Youth House, an organization focused on helping youth achieve their desire futures through genuine relationships in over 17 counties in PA. Our team heard directly from staff and youth about the meaningful support that federal programs like Chafee give to provide a foundation to at-risk youth.

Senator Fetterman joined Senator McCormick in a roundtable with Erie leaders to discuss housing, homelessness, and food insecurity.

Local leaders focused on the challenges they are facing, the current initiatives and work happening, and the support needed from the federal government to address housing and food insecurity.

Senator Fetterman highlighted his bipartisan *Whole-Home Repairs Act* which was modeled after Pennsylvania's Whole-Home Repairs Program. The federal bill will provide grants and loans to eligible homeowners and small landlords for vital home repairs and supports workforce development training in the housing trades. Erie leaders were encouraged by the support of both senators to assist the housing and food access initiatives in the region.



CONSTITUENT SERVICES

SSA (Social Security Administration) OIG Scam Alert

The SSA Office of the Inspector General (OIG) recently advised constituents to be on alert for scam callers impersonating retail companies, other government agencies, and/or law enforcement and falsely claiming they are transferring the call to the SSA. The scammer alerts the constituent that a fraudulent charge has been made, or that their SSN has been compromised. They then request for you to:

- Keep the call a secret;
- Sign documents related to a fake identity theft investigation;
- Provide sensitive information such as your SSN or financial;
- Grant them access to your electronic device;
- Move for a new SSN;
- Pay for money into the scammer's account to "protect" funds.

Medicare GLP-1 Bridge Program

On July 1st, 2026, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) launched the temporary Medicare GLP-1 Bridge program, which will allow eligible Medicare Part D beneficiaries to access certain GLP-1 medications for a set cost of \$50 a month. The Bridge Program will run until December 31st, 2027. Interested Medicare beneficiaries should visit CMS' [website](#) to monitor eligibility and speak with their doctor to learn if they qualify.

PA State Representative Ryan Bizzarro's Annual Senior Resource Fair

Staff attended an Annual Senior Resource Fair in Erie, hosted by PA State Representative Ryan Bizzarro. Over 1,500 seniors walked through the fair. If you or someone you know needs assistance with a federal agency, please feel free to send us a message on our [website](#).

SEEDS Group 12th Annual FREE Book Share Event

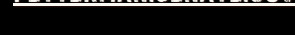
Sustainable Energy Education & Development Support (SEEDS) Group in Honesdale, PA are hosting their 12th annual free Book Share event. The Book Share event will be held on September 19th and 20th, 2026 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in Honesdale. Prior to the event, there will be set donation times on September 17th-19th. For more information about this event, including what can be donated and possible volunteering opportunities, please see the SEEDS Group [website](#).

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