The PerryScope (for the week ending 2/2/20)

Welcome to the Pennsylvania Member of Congress Tracking Report for the week ending February 2, 2020. Both Houses got a lot done, with the impeachment trial only one part of congressional doings this week. You can find the full MoCTrack here.

Our goal, as always, is to track how our PA-10 member of Congress votes and hold him accountable. We also include a recap of social media and other mentions in the past week as well as coverage of Senators Casey and Toomey. And don't forget to check out our at-a-glance vote trackers for the House and Senate. Each sheet has links that bring you to short explainers for all votes tracked. It is updated each week with the bills covered in MoCTrack, and it is sortable by topic.

TRACKING CONGRESS in the AGE of TRUMP

Nate Silver's <u>FiveThirtyEight</u> keeps a running tally of how often every member of the House and Senate votes with or against the president. The higher the number, the more the legislator votes to support the Trump agenda.

Member of Congress	Career	116 th Congress	_	Change from last report (116 th Congress)
Senator Bob Casey (D)	29.1%	21.2%	-0.5%	-1.4%
Senator Pat Toomey (R)	87.5%	83.9%	+0.2%	+1.1%
Rep. Scott Perry (R)	89.4%	95.4%	+0.1%	+0.1%

HOW PERRY VOTED in the HOUSE LAST WEEK

Link to Bill Details	Explainer	Topic	Perry Vote	Date	Vote Count	Result
H.R. 3621	This bill will rework credit reporting, banning items where businesses acted fraudulently from impacting credit scores	Finance	NO	01-29-20	221-189	PASS
H.R. 550, part 1	This would block funding for any use of offensive military action against Iran without congressional approval	Foreign Affairs	NO	01-30-20	228-175	PASS
H.R. 550, part 2	This would repeal the 2002 Iraq Authorization for Use of Military Force (AUMF)	Foreign Affairs	NO	01-30-20	236-166	PASS
S. 3201	This bill will temporarily reauthorize emergency classification of the opiate fentanyl and its lookalikes	Law Enforcement	YES	01-29-20	320-88	PASS
H.R. 4704	This bill authorizes a grant program for study of suicide prevention	Health Care	YES	01-27-20	385-8	PASS
H.R. 943	This bill authorizes a holocaust education program to combat anti-Semitism	Civil Rights	YES	01-27-20	393-5	PASS

PA-10 UPDATES

Perry outraises DePasquale, Brier in Q4

After being out-fundraised by Democratic challenger Eugene DePasquale in the third quarter of 2019, Perry's big-pocket donors helped outraise DePasquale by more than \$60,000 in the final three months of the year, according to the York Dispatch. DePasquale closed out the year with \$468,000 cash on hand, compared to \$621,00 in Perry's coffers. The other Democratic contender in the PA-10 race, Tom Brier, ended the year with \$203,000 on hand. DePasquale's addition to the DCCC's "Red to Blue" list at the end of January could funnel additional donations from around the country to the campaign.

Trump thanks Perry in incoherent post-impeachment rant

Following the Senate vote to acquit him on Wednesday afternoon, Trump took to the stage to speak for over an hour, in what can only be described as an unintelligible series of unrelated thoughts. Our very own MoC earned a special mention in the "speech:"

Scott Perry of Pennsylvania, thank you. You're really great. You're doing a really good job over there, by the way. I just saw your numbers. If I'm going to pick "Perry Mason," I'm going to do a remake of "Perry Mason."

Read the full transcript of it, preceded by commentary from Vox, <u>here</u>. If you are at your wit's end, like I am, you can read the Bandy X. Lee's brilliant "translation" of the speech on Medium <u>here</u>.

Perry to be "special guest" at Carlisle gun rights seminar

According to a press release on her website, state Rep. Barb Gleim (R-199), will host Rep. Perry as a "special guest" at a Concealed Carry Firearm Seminar that will cover "gun safety, concealed carrying, and the Castle Doctrine." Perry will be joined by Kim Stolfer, co-founder and president of Firearms Owners Against Crime. Mr. Stolfer, according to a 2015 Pittsburgh Post-Gazette article, "helped pass some of [Pennsylvania's] most hotly contested gun laws." Rep. Gleim's event, which will be held from 9:30-11:30 AM on Feb. 15 at Carlisle Fire & Rescue (177 Carlisle Springs Road), is open only to constituents of the 199th district. The venue is located at the intersection of Carlisle Springs Road (Rte 34) between G Street and F Street.

TWEETS and MEDIA COVERAGE

We open with our Twitter Action sections on <u>impeachment</u>, the <u>social safety net</u> and healthcare, <u>promoted legislation</u> and the <u>Tweets of the Week</u> from each of our twenty Pennsylvania MoCs. In our traditional media recaps, <u>Senator Casey</u> focused on phone scams, Trump's attacks on Social Security and impeachment. <u>Senator Toomey</u> spoke about impeachment and his approval for the planned Medicaid cuts.

OTHER SECTIONS

We start with a pair of <u>official statements from our senators</u> on the impeachment vote on witnesses. Instead of an educational section, this week we highlight one passage from the Congressional Record of the impeachment trial, and what it says about the need for <u>progressive advocacy focused on our federal judiciary</u>. And our Call to Action this week is about the "<u>Reject the Coverup</u>" events being planned around the country this week – and what YOU can do if you can't turn out in person.

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