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## **House Health Committee Approves Frankel bill to Remove Exemptions from the Clean Indoor Air Act**

The committee met on November 15 to consider two bills, the second of which is of interest to PFFSO members.

[House Bill 1657](#) would ban smoking – including the use of e-cigarettes – in the state’s bars, clubs and casinos that were allowed to permit smoking due to loopholes included in the Pennsylvania’s Clean Indoor Air Act when it was passed in 2008. The Protecting Workers from Secondhand Smoke Act would:

- Eliminate loopholes in the Clean Indoor Air Act that leave workers exposed to cancerous secondhand smoke.
- Expand the definition of smoking to add e-cigarettes to combat the rise in vaping-related illnesses.
- Give all localities the ability to enact smoke-free ordinances that are more protective than state law.

The committee approved three amendments to the bill that would continue some limited exceptions to the smoking ban, including those covering cigar bars, outdoor patios, home offices and some private clubs that meet ventilation and other requirements.

**A02920 by Rep. Mark Rossi (D-Berks)**, provides an exception for patios that are enclosed on no more than two sides which are part of a public place establishment that serves food or drinks. **The amendment was adopted with Reps. Khan and Friel Otten voting in the negative.**

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Chairman Rapp explained A02920 was brought up after several discussions with restaurant owners that have made an accommodation to their customers to smoke on their patio. She emphasized the amendment will help small businesses attract customers and noted that many businesses have made significant investments in their patio space to provide a convenience.

Chairman Frankel noted that restaurant owners detailed their investment in patio space at a recent public hearing. He thanked the maker of the amendment for the definition of a patio space that provides adequate airflow.

**A02750, by Brown**, removes workplace from paragraph that prohibits smoking in a private home, private residence or private vehicle due to certain activist that occur within those places. **The amendment was unanimously adopted.**

On A02750, Chairman Rapp explained the amendment clarifies when a private home, residence or vehicle is subject to a smoking prohibition. She urged her colleagues to support the amendment.

Chairman Frankel detailed that there was a “dramatic shift” in the use of home offices, and the amendment ensures that second and third hand smoke isn’t accumulating in a location that’s been used to caretake children or adults.

**A02991 by Rep. Heather Boyd (D- Delaware)**, provides for an exemption for tobacco shops, tobacco manufacturers and cigar bars and creates a new category of cigar bars within private clubs. **The amendment was adopted with Republicans voting in the negative.**

On her amendment, Boyd explained her son works in a location where smoking is permitted and she agrees that employees should be protected from second-hand smoke. She added that she has several cigar shops in her district. She continued that she wrote her doctoral thesis on the culture of cigar smoking, and so recognizes the importance of allowing smoking in certain shops or cigar bars.

**Rep. Melissa Shusterman (D-Chester)** questioned if the amendment would allow any restaurant or bar to create a cigar room. Rep. Boyd said her amendment reinstates the existing exemption for cigar bars, which must be adjoining a tobacco shop or report a set amount of tobacco product sales. She explained that a cigar bar is different from a smoking lounge that is specific to a private club. “The idea was related to having a set area where the designated activity is tobacco focused, so not a social area where people happen to smoke.”

Chairman Rapp thanked Chairman Frankel for his openness to amending the bill. She emphasized that **private clubs, many of which are veteran clubs, should be able to engage in the freedom to smoke within their clubs, especially considering they fought to maintain freedom in the United States.** She remarked that veterans’ clubs have the opportunity to vote within their membership to decide whether or not their clubs will be smoke free. She commented that many veterans’ clubs cannot afford expensive filtration systems to comply with indoor smoking ordinances. She added that skilled nursing facilities allow smoking because they operate under federal law. She commented that people have vices of all sorts and smoking is not an exception. “This isn’t about cigarette smoke to me, it’s about freedom for our veterans,” she said.

Chairman Frankel said he appreciates Chairman Rapp’s concerns. He noted that all legislators appreciate the sacrifice for veterans. He stated the legislation is a public health issue and will protect people who work in establishments that allow smoking. He explained that Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) have been insistent that they be allowed to smoke in their clubs, however the legislation is designed to protect their health and welfare, particularly for veterans coming back from Iraq and Afghanistan who want to be in a smoke-free environment. He commented that restaurants also wanted to continue to allow smoking when the [Clean Air Act of 2008](#). He remarked that although restaurants were worried they would lose customers, he does not believe that any restaurant would now allow smoking in their establishments. He added the ban has resulted in a large decrease in smoking among the state’s population.

On the bill as amended, Committee Executive Director **Erika Fricke** said the legislation would close many loopholes of the Clean Air Act of 2008, including truck stops, hotels, gaming floors, **private clubs**, care facilities, homes used as daycares and exhibition halls for events that are tobacco related. She added the bill removes the preemption on local government’s ability to enact stronger ordinances than state law.

Rep. Khan thanked Chairman Frankel for his work on the legislation. He remarked that as a nurse practitioner he has worked with employees at casinos that have had to deal with the effects of smoking. He stated the smoke can affect their health and prevent them from being promoted because they cannot work in those areas. He highlighted the bill will protect employees and improve the health and safety of the state’s workforce. He pointed out that smoke in one side of a building often seeps out into other sections.

Rep. Friel Otten thanked advocates on the issue. She said she has worked in locations where smoking has been allowed in the past. Rep. Friel Otten said she understands that some employees feel they cannot refuse to work in environments with smoke because they rely on their income to support their families. She lauded Chairman Frankel for his work on the topic.

**Rep. Paul Schemel (R-Franklin)** explained that although he “abhors smoking” he **believes it is an overreach of the government to ban smoking in private clubs** that are exclusive to its members. He said he will reluctantly vote against the bill.

Chairman Rapp commented that she would have supported A02991 because it prohibits a smoking lounge to be located within a private club. She stated a veterans’ organization could qualify for an exemption, however many veterans’ organizations lack the funds to install the required ventilation. She said she supports the majority of the bill. She stated the committee has about a month to come to an agreement before the bill is taken to the House floor.

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**The bill was reported as amended with all Republicans voting in the negative.**

[A companion bill](#) has been introduced by state Sen. Jay Costa, D-Allegheny.

### **House and Senate Put Aside Their Differences for One Week, Finish 2023-24 Budget**

Nearly six full months into the Fiscal Year, the PA House and Senate have finally completed the final pieces of the FY 2023-24 budget, passing several ancillary bills authorizing the spending delineated in the General Appropriations bill passed last August, which was altered slightly by Governor's blue line pen. In the intervening months, House and Senate leadership met on and off with each other and the Governor, finally agreeing on a plan to implement the previously passed spending, including for community colleges, other educational institutions, grants programs, and health care.

### **Galloway Announces Resignation; House Delays Return to Session Due to Chamber Repairs**

**State Representative John Galloway (D-Bucks)** made good on his previous announcement of his intention to resign from the House on December 15th. As was reported last month, Galloway won a race for Magisterial District Judge in November and will assume the new position in January. Galloway's resignation will bring the House balance back to a dead even 101-101 until his seat is filled by the voters by a special election, which House Speaker Joanna McClinton has called for February 13, 2024.

The Speaker also announced that, due to a recently discovered leak in the House Chamber roof, the Chamber will not be available for several weeks, while repairs are made, and the House will not return to voting session until mid-March. Typically the first few months of the year are not busy voting months, with the Governor's budget address on February 6 followed by several weeks of recess for Appropriations Committee hearings to address the budget asks of various agencies, so this is not really a vast departure from precedent, especially in election years, when ample time is usually granted for the legislators to be home circulating nominating petitions for their re-elections next fall. Expect things to pick up precipitously in the following months leading up to the June 30 end of the fiscal year.

### **From the PA Bulletin**

No New Regulations have been published since the last Bulletin.

### **Legislative Activity**

**The following bills of interest were introduced and acted upon in the General Assembly since the last Bulletin.**

### **Charity, Small Games of Chance Bills**

[HB1797](#) RE: [Modernization of Small Games of Chance Act](#) (by Rep. Marci Mustello, et al)

Amends the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, in games of chance, further providing for prize limits, providing for raffle prize limits and further providing for licensing of eligible organizations and for special permits. Increases maximum individual chance game prize limits to \$3,000 and maximum licensed eligible organizations' chance game awards during any seven-day period to \$50,000. Sets a maximum raffle prize limit of \$5,000 and a maximum monthly raffle prize limit of \$30,000. Provides an exception for licensed eligible organizations' raffles to provide prizes valued in excess of \$5,000. Provides an exception for volunteer fire, ambulance, rescue or conservation organization to award up to \$500,000 without subjectivity to subsection (a) in addition to the total under subsection (c)(4). Provides for auxiliary groups. Provides for club licensees to conduct small games of chance in the county where the license is issued at a premises which is the operating site of the club licensee or at a premises or other location not prohibited by local ordinance. **Decreases the percentage of games of chance proceeds received by a club licensee to be paid for public interest purposes from 60 percent to 40 percent.** Increases the percentage of games of chance proceeds to be retained by a club licensee from 40 percent to 60 percent.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Introduced and referred to House Gaming Oversight Committee, 10/27/2023**

[SB667](#) RE: [Mobile Payment Services for Small Games of Chance](#) (by Sens. Devlin Robinson & Wayne Fontana)

Amends the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, in games of chance, providing for payment, detailing payment methods, and for online raffle sales providing for operations, payments and applicability; and abrogating the provisions of 61 Pa. Code 901.506 insofar as they are inconsistent with the addition of section 301.2 of the act. Defines "mobile payment service" as a service in which a money payment is made electronically through a money transfer service such as Venmo, PayPal, Cash App or an equivalent money transfer service.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Reported as amended from Senate Community, Economic & Recreational Development Committee, and read first time, 12/12/2023**

**Cosponsor Memos Filed****SCO1289 (Robinson) - [Updating E-Tabs Provisions in the Small Games of Chance Act](#)**

Updates the Small Games of Chance Act relating to electronic pull tabs ("E-Tabs"), aiming to reduce licensing and background check fees, and allow for smaller tab purchases.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Cosponsor memo filed, 11/6/2023**

**Clean Air Act**

**HB1657** RE: Clean Indoor Air Act Amendments (by Rep. Dan Fran-el, et al)

Bans smoking – including the use of e-cigarettes – in the state’s bars, clubs and casinos that were allowed to permit smoking due to loopholes included in the Pennsylvania’s Clean Indoor Air Act when it was passed in 2008.

**PFFSO Position: OPPOSED**

**Introduced and referred to House Health Committee, 9/5/2023**

**Reported as amended from House Health Committee, read first time, and laid on the table, 11/15/2023**

**First Responders**

**SB 114** RE: Fire and EMS Instruction in Schools (By Sen. Michele Brooks, et al)

Amends the Public School Code, in terms and courses of study, further providing for firefighter and emergency service training to school entities and nonpublic schools and establishing the Secondary Education Fire Training Pilot Program to provide high school students with instruction through a partnership with institutions of higher education, school entities, or nonpublic schools in order to increase the number of individuals capable of becoming volunteer firefighters. Provides the state fire commissioner accepts proposals from institutions of higher education and selects three to offer the pilot program, as geographically distributed as possible. Additionally provides the state fire commissioner enter into an agreement with a school entity or nonpublic school for the provision of fire instruction to students in at least the ninth grade. Establishes the Fire Training Fund, which permits donations and appropriates \$150,000 to each institution of higher education offering the pilot program for the duration of the program. Directs the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee (LBFC) to conduct a survey of volunteer fire companies in the municipalities surrounding school entities and nonpublic schools that participate in the pilot program to determine if the program is increasing the number of volunteer firefighters, with the results submitted to legislative leadership within 6 months of the completion of the program. Provides the pilot program expire 4 years after the effective date.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Reported as amended from House Veterans Affairs & Emergency Preparedness Committee, read first time, and Laid on the table, 10/31/2023**

**Liquor Code Bills**

**HB 38** RE: Rauwolf liquor licenses (by Rep. Marci Mustello, et al)

Amends Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for applications for hotel, restaurant and club liquor licenses and for application for distributors', addresses

Rauwolf liquor licenses.

**PFFSO Position: Neutral**

**Passed House, 5/2/2023 (201-0)**

**Reported as committed from Senate Law & Justice Committee, and read first time, 10/17/2023**

**Read second time, 10/18/2023**

**Re-referred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 10/23/2023**

**Re-reported as committed from Senate Appropriations Committee, 12/11/2023**

**Read third time, and passed Senate, 12/12/2023**

**Signed in House and in the Senate, 12/12/2023**

**Approved by the Governor, 12/14/2023 Act 45 of 2023**

**HB221** RE: [Bureau of Liquor Control Enforcement Use of Minors for Compliance Checks](#) (by Rep. Brian Smith, et al) Amends the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for enforcement. Allows persons under 21 to purchase, possess or transport liquor or malt or brewed beverages if they are at least 18 years old and an officer, employee or intern of the enforcement bureau. Specifies the individuals may not consume the alcohol and requires those purchasing, possessing or transporting alcohol to complete related training from the Pennsylvania State Police (PSP). Effective in 60 days. (Prior Printer Number (s): 498) (PN 498) Amends the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for enforcement. Clarifies enforcements expire December 31, 2027

**PFFSO Position: Neutral**

**Reported as amended from House Liquor Control Committee, read first time and Laid on the table, 10/30/2023**

**Removed from table, 11/13/2023**

**Amended on House floor, read second time, and Re-committed to House Appropriations Committee, 11/14/2023**

**Reported as committed from House Appropriations Committee, read third time, and passed House,**

**11/15/2023 (173-30)**

**Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Law & Justice Committee, 11/28/2023**

[HB 1096](#) RE: Liquor License Conversions (by Rep. Steve Malagari, et al)

Amends the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, to allow hotel licenses to be converted to restaurant licenses, two years after the effective date.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Reported as amended from Senate Law & Justice Committee, and read first time, 10/24/2023**

**Read second time, 10/25/2023**

**Amended on Senate floor, and re-referred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 12/11/2023**

**Re-reported as committed from [Senate Appropriations](#) Committee, and amended on Senate floor, 12/12/2023**

**Read third time, and passed Senate, 12/13/2023**

**Received as amended in the House and referred to House Rules Committee, re-reported on concurrence, as committed from House Rules Committee, and House concurred in Senate amendments, 12/13/2023**

**Signed in House and in Senate, 12/13/2023**

**Approved by the Governor, 12/14/2023 Act 49**

[HB 1160](#) RE: Catering Licenses (by Rep. Napoleon Nelson, et al)

Amends the Liquor Code, in brewed beverages, further providing for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions to allow an unlimited number of catered functions to be held by each license holder for use with a particular license every calendar year. **Provides catering club licensees may not cater more than 24 occasions during its licensed term, with no more than two events per month.** Makes related repeals. Amendments to provisions relating to the number of occasions licensed caterers may cater are effective in 60 days. The remainder of the act is effective Jan. 1, 2025.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Reported as committed from Senate Law & Justice Committee, and read first time, 10/17/2023**

**Read second time, 10/18/2023**

**Re-referred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 11/13/2023**

**Re-reported as committed from Senate Appropriations Committee, 12/11/2023**

**Read third time, and passed Senate, 12/12/2023**

**Signed in House, 12/12/2023**

**Signed in Senate., 12/13/2023**

**Approved by the Governor, 12/14/2023 Act 51 of 2023**

[HB 1252](#) RE: [Public Safety Grants for Municipalities Oversaturated with Liquor Licenses](#) (by Rep. Jessica Benham, et al)

Amends "An act imposing an emergency State tax on liquor, as herein defined, sold by the PLCB; providing for the collection and payment of such tax; and imposing duties upon the Dept. of Revenue and the PLCB", further providing for tax.

**PFFSO Position: Opposed**

**Laid on the Table (Pursuant to House Rule 71), Oct. 17, 2023**

[HB 1354](#) RE: [Increase Penalties for Child Labor Act Violations](#) (by Rep. Regina Young, et al)

Amends Child Labor Act, providing for a person that commits a summary offense to be sentenced to pay a fine of \$1,000 for each violation and \$3,000 for each additional violation or 10 days imprisonment.

**PFFSO Position: Neutral**

**Reported as committed from Senate Labor & Industry Committee, and read first time, 10/4/2023**

**Read second time, and re-referred to Senate Appropriations Committee, 10/17/2023**

[HB1750](#) RE: Ready to Drink Cocktails (RTDs) (by Rep. Rob Leadbeter, et al)

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores; in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for heading of article, for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions, for secondary service area, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees, for public service liquor licenses, for liquor importers' licenses, fees, privileges and restrictions, for public venue license, for performing arts facility license, for continuing care retirement community retail licenses, for casino liquor license, for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for sales by manufacturers of malt or brewed beverages and minimum quantities and for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc; adding provisions relating to fees and taxation of ready-to-drink cocktails for off-premises consumption; and further providing for unlawful acts relative to malt or brewed beverages and licensees.

**PFFSO Position: Opposed**

**Introduced and referred to House Liquor Control Committee, 10/13/2023**

**HB 1768** RE: [Simplifying Bureau of Alcohol Education Reporting](#) (by Rep. Jessica Benham, et al)

Amends the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for biennial reports. Removes provisions for biennial reports and requires the preparation of a report on underage alcohol drinking and high-risk alcohol drinking in the state by the board's Bureau of Alcohol Education.

**Amended on House floor, read second time, and re-committed to House Appropriations Committee, 11/13/2023**

**Reported as committed from House Appropriations Committee, read third time, and passed House, 11/14/2023 (110-93)**

**Received in the Senate and referred to Senate Law and Justice Committee, 11/28/2023**

**SB 882** RE: [Special Orders for Wine and Spirit Sales](#) (by Sen. Judy Ward, et al)

Amends the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores. Removes language providing for if the board believes that demand for the item such that it should be made available generally. Adds language providing for the cumulative number of bottles of the item processed through special order exceeds 72,000 on an annual basis, calculated Jan. 1 through Dec. 31. The amendment of section 305(a.1) of the act shall apply retroactively to Jan. 1, 2023

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Justice Committee, 8/1/2023**

**Reported as committed from Senate Law & Justice Committee, and read first time, 10/17/2023**

**Read second time, 10/18/2023**

**SB928** RE: [Legislation to Permit the Purchase of Wine and Liquor on Credit for Licensees](#) (by Sen. Lisa Boscola, et al) Amends the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, to provide for payments made within 30 days of the date of sale or delivery.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Introduced and referred to Senate Law & Justice Committee, 09/14/2023**

**SB963** RE: [Farm Winery Distillers Permit](#) (by Sen. Wayne Langerholc, et al)

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in distilleries, wineries, bonded warehouses, bailees for hire and transporters for hire, further providing for limited wineries.

**PFFSO Position: Neutral**

**Introduced and referred to Senate Law and Justice Committee, 11/9/2023**

## Veterans Issues

**HR 125** RE: Veterans Week of Service (by Rep. Stephen Kinsey, et al)

A Resolution designating the week of November 4 through 11, 2023, as "Veterans Week of Service" in Pennsylvania to coincide with the annual Veterans Day observance on November 11, 2023.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Adopted 10/31/2023**

**HR277** RE: Wreaths Across America Day (by Rep. Mark Rozzi, et al)

A Resolution recognizing December 16, 2023, as "Wreaths Across America Day" in Pennsylvania.

**PFFSO Position: Support**

**Adopted 12/13/2023**

## Games of Skill

**SB969** RE: [Illegal Gambling Devices](#) (by Sen. Amanda M. Cappelletti, et al)

Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), further providing for the offense of gambling devices, gambling, etc. Specifies it shall be an offense if an individual intentionally or knowingly makes, assembles, sets up, maintains, sells, lends, leases, gives away or offers for sale, loan, lease or gift any slot machine or hybrid slot machine in which a combination of the skill of the player and elements of chance affect the outcome of the game or any skill slot machine in which the skill of the player rather than the element of chance is the predominant factor in affecting the outcome of the game. Provides that a person operating a family entertainment center may make skill games available for play if the prize won or distributed to a player is a noncash, merchandise prize or a voucher, billet, ticket, token or electronic credit redeemable only for a noncash, merchandise prize, barring exceptions. Inserts new definitions for use in the act. Imposes penalties.

**PFFSO Position: Opposed**

**Introduced and referred to Senate Judiciary Committee, 11/16/2023**

**Cosponsor memos filed**

**The following memos asking colleagues to cosponsor bills have been circulated in the House or Senate. The bills themselves**

**HCO2397 (Rozzi) - [Skills Game - Illegal Gambling Devices](#)**

Adds skill games to the list of illegal gambling devices in Title 18 while still allowing family entertainment centers, or arcades, to operate their games for children and families.

**PFFSO Position: Opposed**

**Cosponsor memo filed, 10/23/2023**

**SCO1268 (Farry)- [Parity of Gaming Across the Commonwealth](#)**

Creates a new gaming license for establishments that serve alcohol, including bars and clubs, and the license will allow casino slot machines, video gaming terminals or skill games to be placed into the establishments.

**PFFSO Position: Neutral, need to see the language**

**Cosponsor memo filed, 10/20/2023**

**Upcoming meetings of Interest**

Some House Committee meetings and session can be viewed online at: <http://www.pahousegop.com/>

Senate Committee meetings and session can be streamed at: <http://www.pasenategop.com/>

**Spring 2024 House Session Schedule**

**January 2 (Non-Voting)**

**February 6 (Non-Voting)**

**March 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27**

**April 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 29, 30**

**May 1, 6, 7, 8, 20, 21, 22**

**June 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28**

**Spring 2024 Senate session schedule**

**January 2, 16, 17**

**February 5, 6, 7**

**March 18, 19, 20**

**[April 8, 9, 10, 29, 30](#)**

**May 1, 6, 7, 8**

**June 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30**

**Public Meetings of the Liquor Control Board**

The LCB last met on **December 20**. Minutes can be viewed at <https://www.lcb.pa.gov/About-Us/Board/Current%20Year%20Board%20Agendas%20and%20Meeting%20Minutes/December%2020%202023.pdf>

**2024 meeting dates: January 10, 2024, January 24, February 14, February 28, March 20, April 10, May 1, May 15, 2024, June 5, 2024, June 26, 2024, July 10, July 31, August 21, September 11, September 25, October 9, October 30, November 13, December 4, December 18, 2024**

The next meeting will be held on **January 10**. Public meetings commence at 11:00 AM in Room 117 of PLCB Headquarters in the Northwest Office Building in Harrisburg, PA. Meetings are open for in-person attendance, and meetings are broadcast via Microsoft Teams over [internet](#).

The telephone conference call can be accessed by dialing (267-332-8737, code 240 679 670)# to listen to these meetings.

<https://www.lcb.pa.gov/About-Us/Board/Pages/Public-Meetings.aspx>

Note: Thank you for paying your 2023 membership dues. Dues Bills for clubs and units for 2024 have been mailed. **Direct member dues are \$75 annually**, Unit Dues are up to the County Unit. If you know a club that should be a direct or Unit member, please have them contact the PFFSO office, or direct them to the PFFSO website: [www.pffso.org](http://www.pffso.org). All PA clubs have been mailed a solicitation to join the federation. Your help in bringing them in the fold is appreciated!

Thank you all for your continued support of the Federation. We still have a lot of work to do, and we do it better together! The staff at the Federation wish you all a safe and happy holiday season, and a prosperous New Year!

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