



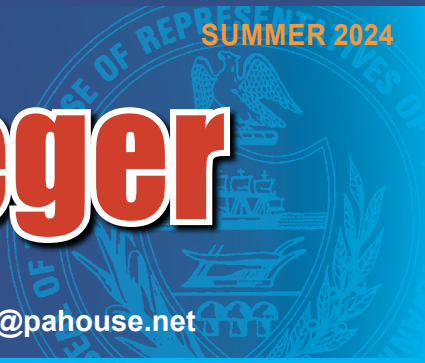
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Dear Neighbor,

The most important part of my job as your state representative is helping constituents cut through the red tape of state government and serving my neighbors right here in Delaware County.

When I go to the State Capitol, I work hard to advance legislation that will improve the lives of Delaware County families. The House passed over 300 bills so far this session, including bills to fund our public schools equitably, support grandparents who are raising grandchildren, increase the minimum wage and improve health care access. While many of the bills we passed are still awaiting action in the Senate, some really good ones have been signed into law. I will never stop fighting to get bills through the legislature to improve your life and protect your rights.

My district office is staffed with caring professionals who work hard every day to serve your state-government needs. Please stop by my Brookhaven office or one of several Mobile Offices we host throughout the district, call us at (610) 534-6880 or email RepKrueger@pahouse.net if you need help with any state issue or program.

We are here to serve!

All the best,



My team and I marched in the Rockdale Memorial Day Parade, the oldest parade in Delco and one of the oldest in the country! I'm grateful for the volunteers who make it happen.



In June I visited Chester Township Fire Company to see the improvements they made with the state grant I helped them secure.



Our district office's two summer interns, Phoebe Smith and Ashley Jirak, are both from Aston Township and have been doing a great job helping residents while also learning about the legislative process in Harrisburg!

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE ON BILLS I SUPPORT

I am working on legislation that would cut costs for consumers and taxpayers, ensure access to contraceptives and reproductive health care, provide essential funding for schools at the state level, and support our local first responders. Here's an update on my legislative efforts.

Ensuring access to contraceptives

Contraception is health care, plain and simple, and no one but a woman and her doctor should decide what medical care she has the right to receive. Pennsylvania currently has no protections in state law for contraceptive access, so attacks at the federal level jeopardize our access. I wrote HB 1140 to require all health insurance policies in PA to provide coverage for all FDA- approved contraceptive drugs, devices, products and services, including emergency

contraception and over-the-counter oral contraception without cost-sharing. This bill passed the House with a bipartisan vote of 133-69 and awaits Senate action.



Cyber charter school reform

Cyber charter schools offer students and parents an option when a traditional school classroom



is not the right fit for their child. However, cyber charter schools should be partners with public schools, not competitors. Right now cyber schools take reimbursements from public schools that far exceed the cost of educating the children in their schools. HB 1422 would create statewide tuition rates for non-special education cyber students of \$8,000. This bill simply levels the playing field and reimburses cyber charter schools appropriately and with transparency. The bill passed the House and is awaiting Senate approval.



Capping fees for electronic medical records

Most medical records are now stored electronically and not in paper format. It is only fair to consumers to adjust fees to account for today's digital world. I wrote HB 2198 to cap the fees health providers and medical records companies could charge for records sent electronically. The bill passed the House with a bipartisan vote of 137-65 and awaits Senate action.

Supporting first responders

Our police, firefighters and emergency services personnel respond to disasters and tragedies on a daily basis. Just because the shift ends doesn't mean the trauma ends, and these hometown heroes shouldn't have to suffer alone. I voted in support of HB 1632 to make sure our first responders can access workers' compensation benefits related to Post-Traumatic Stress Injury contracted on the job and diagnosed by a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist. HB 1632 passed the House with a bipartisan vote of 154-46 and awaits Senate action.



Protecting Healthcare Workers from Workplace Violence

Health care workers work hard to take care of us, but they are five times more likely to be punched, bitten, beaten, choked and assaulted on the job than all other workers. I wrote HB 2247 to require workplace response and prevention efforts at health facilities and to give workers a seat at the table. It passed the House Labor and Industry Committee, and we are waiting on a floor vote.



Have You Applied for Your Property Tax/Rent Rebate?

Thanks to a new law I voted for last year, more people than ever before are now eligible for the state's Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program. Older homeowners, renters and people with disabilities could receive up to \$1,000 in a rebate on property taxes or rent paid in 2023. The deadline to apply is Dec. 31, 2024, but don't wait! Rebate checks are going out now, so don't delay.

Contact my office or register for my Middletown Township Property Tax/Rent Rebate Clinic on Aug. 2 to find out if you qualify!



**Property Tax / Rent Rebate
2024 Program Expansion**
MORE people eligible, MORE money back!

Homeowner & Renter Income	Max Rebate
Up to \$8K	\$1,000
Up to \$15K	\$770
Up to \$18K	\$460
Up to \$45K	\$380

Deadline extended to **December 31, 2024**

My Office Can Help with SEPTA Key Cards

Every year I help hundreds of seniors obtain or renew their Senior Key Card. Please call, email or stop in for help.



**STATE REPRESENTATIVE
LEANNE KRUEGER**

DID YOU KNOW?
My office is available to process SEPTA Senior Key Card requests.

Seniors **65 + older** are eligible to travel for **FREE** on all PA SEPTA service lines with a **SEPTA Key Card**.

Contact my office:

(610) 534-6880
115 E. Brookhaven Road
Brookhaven, PA 19015

Medicare Counseling Sessions and Workshops Aug. 29 and Sept. 4

Medicare open enrollment runs from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7 each year. There are some key dates and information you need to know if you are on Medicare, new to Medicare or will be 65 years of age soon.

I'm hosting an in-person Medicare 101 Workshop on Aug. 29 at the Aston Community Center and an online PA MEDI workshop on Sept. 4. See the back page of this newsletter for more information, and please contact my office if you are interested in attending these events.

Save the Date for My Senior Expo!

Save the date for my Senior Expo from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 19. Organizations will be available to do health screenings such as blood pressure and flu shots. Seniors also can receive assistance with financial planning, obtaining a senior Septa Key card and navigating other local, state and federal issues.

Seniors who RSVP for the event will be sent home with a boxed lunch along with an abundance of useful information and giveaways. Additionally, I recognize those with milestone birthdays. If you turned – or will turn - 70, 80, 90 or 100 in 2024, we'd love to celebrate you!

Please call my office at (610) 534-6880 or email RepKrueger@pahouse.net to register. I hope you come out to experience this beneficial and enjoyable event!

Search for Unclaimed Property at My Office

Does the state have your unclaimed property? The Pennsylvania Treasury has more than \$4 billion in unclaimed property belonging to the people of Pennsylvania. These items and funds go missing, often for things as simple as a misspelled name or an out-of-date address.

My office can help you find what's yours! Come to my office during Unclaimed Property Week Aug. 5-9 and we can help you check the database and complete the application.



IN THE DISTRICT



Strath Haven High School student Daniel Abate served as my guest page on the House floor in May. If you have a student (12 or older) who is interested in learning more about this opportunity, please email RepKrueger@pahouse.net.



I visited Mrs. Knight's fourth grade class at Wallingford Elementary, where I told them about what I do as a state representative and answered their questions.



Presenting a \$50,000 state grant to Aston Township Fire Department for protective gear.



I joined Aston Township officials and police officers in June to break ground for their new township building and police department.



Thank you to Ridley Township Police for partnering with me this spring to help residents get their damaged or worn license plates replaced at no cost.



Presenting a \$35,500 state grant to Garden City Fire Company #1 to help complete their new pole barn.



Presenting a \$75,000 state grant to Brookhaven Fire Co. Station 52 to help pay for a new garage to house its third ambulance.



I visited the Caleb Pusey House in Upland Borough and met with some of their volunteer board members. I enjoy learning about the rich history we have in Delco.



More than 300 cars came through the Paper Shredding and Prescription Drug Take Back Event I hosted at Upland Park with Sen. John Kane and Delco DA Jack Stollsteimer in May to serve our neighbors.



Presenting a nearly \$2 million state grant to the Middletown Township Sewer Authority with Senator Kane and Rep. Borowski.



Congratulations to Wesley Chandler (left photo), Mic Bellini and Tanush Talekar (right photo) for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout. I enjoy attending local Courts of Honor to recognize these amazing accomplishments.



I was excited to welcome Strath Haven High School class of 2024 graduate Aditi Halpe and her family to the House floor in recognition of her winning the 2024 Pennsylvania House of Representatives Scholarship.



I stopped by The Helen Kate Furness Free Library to congratulate Lori Friedgen-Veitch on 40 years of service! Congratulations and thank you Ms. Lori!

MY OFFICE CAN HELP YOU WITH:

- SEPTA Senior Key Cards
- Property Tax/Rent Rebate applications
- Birth Certificate applications
- Unclaimed Property search and forms
- PennDOT documents
- Disability plates and placards
- Questions about Real ID
- Birth Certificate applications
- Concerns about state road conditions
- Unemployment Compensation issues
- Department of Human Services benefits (SNAP, Medical Assistance, LIHEAP)
- Consumer Complaints
- And More!**

MOBILE OFFICE HOURS

I host mobile office hours across the district to bring state government closer to you. Please stop in at the time, date and place that's most convenient for you.

DCHA Kinder Park in Ridley Township

Community Center | 1825 Constitution Ave | 2nd Thursday of the month | Hours: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Building IV Community Room | 1857 Constitution Ave. | 1st Tuesday of the month | Hours: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

DCHA – Fairgrounds in Chester Township

Bridgeview Apartments | 2nd Tuesday of the month | Hours: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Upland Borough

McQueen Hall Council Chambers | 3rd Tuesday of the month | Hours: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Crum Lynne

American Legion Post 777 | 3rd Thursday every other month | Hours: 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Upcoming dates: 8/15, 10/17 & 12/19



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TO LEARN MORE AND REGISTER FOR THESE FREE EVENTS.

Blood Drive

Thursday, Aug. 1 | 9AM – 2PM

Notre Dame de Lourdes in Ridley Township

Property Tax Rent/Rebate Clinic

Friday, Aug. 2 | 10AM – 1PM

Roosevelt School in Middletown Township

Unclaimed Property Week

Aug. 5 – 9 | 9AM – 5PM

Brookhaven District Office

Medicare 101

Thursday, Aug. 29 | 6:30PM – 7:30PM

Aston Community Center

PA MEDI Zoom

Wednesday, Sept. 4 | 6PM

Topic: Medicare 101

Senior Expo

Thursday, Sept. 19 | 11AM – 1PM

Brookhaven Municipal Center

Expungement Clinic

Thursday, Sept. 26 | 6PM – 8PM

Brookhaven Municipal Center

Fall Shred

Saturday, Oct. 5 | 9AM – 12PM

Northley Middle School

Veterans Appreciation Luncheon

Thursday, Oct. 24 | 11AM – 1PM

American Legion Post 926

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