

PA Together

Weekly Call to Action Plan - June 19-25

Below is a list of actions relevant to current issues and legislation at both the National and the State level.

Directions: Feel free to adjust as needed to fit the needs of your group (click on 'file', then select 'make a copy'). Then, add in 1 or 2 local calls to action that are relevant to your group and any event highlights for the upcoming week.

Most Important Calls to Action

Not seeing a bill? For a searchable database of our calls to action click [here](#).

National: This week we are suggesting that everyone focus on the AHCA. Senate could vote this coming week on their version of health care reform.

- **Demand full transparency on Senate AHCA bill.** Please call Toomey and demand transparency before the vote. [Info and scripts](#).
- **Ask Senator Casey to withhold consent and filibuster Senate AHCA bill.** [Info and scripts](#)
- If you would like to make additional calls on National issues, there are a number of great tools for generating weekly Calls to Action on National Level issues, such as [5calls.org](#) and [wallofus.org](#).

Pennsylvania General Assembly:

- **Protect reproductive freedom** OPPOSE SB 3 and HB 77 Anti-abortion bills [Info and script](#)
- **Support and protect public education** OPPOSE HB 1213/SB 586 Restrict spot appeals [Info and script](#)
- **Keep our communities safe** OPPOSE SB 560 Body Cameras for Police [Info and Script](#)
- **Keep our communities safe** SUPPORT SB 400 Special Prosecutor Legislation [Info and Script](#)
- **Protect clean air and clean water** OPPOSE HB 1071 Ban on taxing plastic bags [Info and scripts](#)
- **Protect clean air and clean water** OPPOSE SB 561 The REINS Act [Info and scripts](#)
- **Support fiscal responsibility in Pennsylvania** SUPPORT SB 566, Severance Tax on Natural Gas. [Info and scripts](#)

For additional calls to action on PA Legislation, please see below.

Weekly Events Highlights

- If you would like to add your event to our list please email us the details at events@PA-Together.org
- To access a searchable database of events occurring across PA [click here](#)

1. [Statewide Call-In Day for a Pennsylvania People's Budget, June 19 11-1pm](#)
2. [The Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center walks through what a shale tax \(severance tax\) would mean for Pennsylvania](#) June 19 @ 8pm.
3. [Harrisburg: End Education Apartheid June 21st 12pm](#)
4. [Stand with Planned Parenthood](#) Pink Out the Night Rallies in Allentown, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Indiana, Erie June 21-23
5. [24 hour healthcare vigil TBD](#)
6. **Stand with refugees across the world** on June 20th, and on June 18th at the [Berks Detention Center](#).

Collaboration Projects

People's Budget Days of Action. For years, Republicans have pushed Pennsylvania backward by passing shoestring budgets that benefit the rich and slash our most critical priorities. It's time to hold corporations accountable so that we can provide quality community services, affordable health care, good, family-sustaining jobs, and a safe and healthy environment. It's time to demand a **People's Budget** for Pennsylvania.

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Want to get involved? [Check out this toolkit](#) with sample tweets and call scripts and how to [schedule a meeting](#) with your state representative (#PA Peoples Budget Days of Action.)

End Education Apartheid: Despite the Brown vs. Board of Education Ruling in 1954, we continue to have a separate and unequal school system in Pennsylvania. Join Power, PCCY, and other advocacy groups in Harrisburg on Wednesday June 21st at 12pm to demand a fair and fully funded public education for all of our children. [Check out the event online.](#)

Letter to the Editor Team: One of the most effective ways to rally support around a call to action is to have a letter to the editor published. We are teaming up with activist groups from across the state to facilitate the writing and the publishing of letters to the editor. If you would like to collaborate with us on this initiative please fill out [this survey](#) or email taramarches@gmail.com to share what your group may already be working on. Currently, there is extra need for people willing to write letters to the editor about environmental and “good government” issues.

Resources

Below are links to information that you and your members may find useful.

- A list of all [PA Senate and House phone numbers and emails](#)
- A google map of all PA Counties with [legislative district information](#)
- [Events Calendar](#) - submit events to Events@PA-Together.org
- [CTA Database](#)
- [Media Outlets](#)
- [Meeting Locations](#)
- [PA Together Regions](#)
- The [Resistance Manual](#) has tried to be a comprehensive list of available toolkits/public resources.
- NextGen's [Resources for the Resistance](#)
- ResistanceNearMe.org's <http://bit.ly/2rux9cZ>

PA Legislation Calls to Action - June 19-25

Not seeing a bill? For a searchable database of our calls to action click [here](#).

The bills below have been identified by our team as being most important this week. If you finish making the urgent calls outlined above (also marked here with an *) and would like to make additional calls, please use this list.

If you can only have a few minutes, just pick the topic that's most important to you. Thank you for any calls you can make!

Protect reproductive freedom

- *SB 3 and HB 77 Anti-abortion bills OPPOSE [Info and script](#)
- **SB 300 Prioritization of Funding for Womens' Health Services (AKA Defunding Planned Parenthood)** Call your PA State Senator to OPPOSE [Info and script](#)

Support and protect public education

- **HB 97 - Charter School “reform.”** Call your Senator to OPPOSE. [Info and Script](#)
- **HB 250 - Increase funding for religious/private school vouchers** OPPOSE. [Info and petition](#)
- ***HB 1213 Restrict spot appeals:** OPPOSE [Info and scripts](#)
- **SB 756 Unfair teacher evaluations** OPPOSE [Info and Scripts](#)

Gun violence prevention

- **SB 5 “Sue Our Cities Bill”** Passed the Senate. Call your PA HOUSE Representative to OPPOSE [Info and Script](#)

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- **SB 383 Guns for teachers-** OPPOSE [Info and scripts](#)
- **SB 501 Enhancing Safety For All Parties Involved In Protection From Abuse** SUPPORT [Info and Scripts](#)

Community safety

- **SB 8 - Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform** - Call for AMENDMENT of the bill or OPPOSE [Info and script](#)
- ***SB 400** Special Prosecutor Legislation SUPPORT [Info and Script](#)
- ***SB 560 Body Cameras for the Police** OPPOSE [Info and Script](#)
- **HB 561 ISP Data collection** Call your PA HOUSE Rep to OPPOSE HB 561 [Info and script](#)

Support immigrants and refugees

- **SB 273 - Defunding Sanctuary Campuses.** Please call your Senator to OPPOSE. [Info and Script](#)
- **HB 28- Anti-Sanctuary City-** Call your PA Rep to OPPOSE [Info and scripts](#)
- **HB 1302 Support the police and community safe act** - Call PA HOUSE STATE GOV COMMITTEE to SUPPORT [Info and script](#)

Protect clean air and clean water

- **PennEast Pipeline** OPPOSE Sign the petition for Delaware Riverkeeper Network [Click here](#)
- ***SB 561 REINS Act-** OPPOSE [Info and scripts](#)
- **SB 624 Keep our rivers clean** OPPOSE [Info and scripts](#)
- **SB 175 Decreasing Methane Emissions Standards** OPPOSE [Info and Scripts](#)
- ***HB 1071-** Prohibiting imposing a ban/surcharge on plastic bags OPPOSE [Info and scripts](#)

Support fiscal responsibility and a People's Budget

- ***SB 566 Marcellus Shale Severance Tax** SUPPORT. [Info and scripts](#)
- **SB 555 - Fair Share Tax Plan.** Sign petition asking your Pennsylvania legislator to SUPPORT. [Info and scripts](#)

Support democracy and fair government

- **SB 22/HB 722 - Support Redistricting** -- call for cosponsors. See [here](#) to see if your rep is a co-sponsored. [Info and script](#)
- **HB 39 - Gift Ban** - Call Daryl Metcalfe and your PA House Rep to support. [Info and scripts](#)