

THE POLICY RECAP

A Summary of House Democratic Policy Committee Meetings..... October 3 – 4, 2018

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Rep. Austin Davis School and Business Partnerships McKeesport | October 3

Rep. Austin Davis hosted a public hearing on school and business partnerships at the Consortium for Public Education. The committee heard testimony about how the legislature and community can come together to provide additional workforce opportunities for graduating high school students.

Hearing testifiers included:

- Mary Kay Babyak, Executive Director, Consortium for Public Education
- Don Martin, Assistant Executive Director, Intermediate Unit 1
- Joshua Stewart, Vice President and Director of Talent Programs and Accessibility, PNC Financial Services



Rep. Frank Burns

Bullying

Johnstown | October 4

As part of Bullying Awareness Prevention Month, Rep. Frank Burns led a public hearing at the Hiram G. Andrews Center to discuss how to curb bullying. The committee heard testimony about Burns' anti-bullying legislative package (House Bills 2217, 2218 and 2219) that seeks to hold parents, school officials and students accountable for bad behavior.

Hearing participants included:

- Jason Moore, Superintendent, Central Cambria School District
- Sheryl Barto, Manager, Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Allison Messina, Director of Evaluation, Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention
- Dominic Cannizzaro, Chief Executive Officer, HIBster
- James Budzilek, Director of Education, HIBster



About the House Democratic Policy Committee

Rep. Mike Sturla is chair of the House Democratic Policy Committee. The Policy Committee holds public hearings and meetings across the state, and serves as the catalyst to enacting major policy initiatives put forth by members of the House Democratic Caucus.

You can find details about upcoming hearings, hearing testimony from previous hearings and Chairman Sturla's Policy Point of the Day by visiting www.pahouse.com/PolicyCommittee.