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GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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SENATE

DIST. 1 (Philadelphia)

Lawrence Farnese (D) defeats Jack Morley (R)
Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Vince Fumo (D)



Farnese

Attorney Lawrence M. Farnese, Jr. coasted to General Election victory after beating back a strong challenge from union leader John Dougherty in the 2008 primary for Sen. Fumo's seat. Farnese has been involved in numerous civic organizations including supporting the Philadelphia Women's Center. A litigation and business attorney with Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC, Farnese graduated from Villanova University and Temple University Law School.

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13 (Lancaster, York)

Lloyd Smucker (R) defeats Jose Urdaneta (D)
Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Gib Armstrong (R)



Smucker

Area businessman Lloyd Smucker easily defeated Democrat Jose Urdaneta in the race to replace Sen. Gib Armstrong (R-Lancaster). Smucker ran a family-owned wall-and-ceiling contracting operation for 25 years, and served as a West Lampeter Township Supervisor.

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17 (Delaware, Montgomery)

Daylin Leach (D) defeats Lance Rogers (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Connie Williams (D)



Leach

Leach was helped by 70% voter turnout in Montgomery County and Senator Connie Williams' (D-Montgomery) strong endorsement to defeat attorney Lance Rodgers by over 28,000 votes.

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23 (Bradford, Lycoming, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Union)

Gene Yaw (R) defeats Louis Trey Casimir (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Roger Madigan (R)



Yaw

Gene Yaw keeps the 23rd District in GOP hands by defeating Lewisburg acupuncturist Trey Casimir in the race to replace Senator Roger Madigan (R-Lycoming). Yaw served as Lycoming County Solicitor.

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33 (Adams, Franklin, York)

Richard Alloway II (R) defeats Bruce Tushingham (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Terry Punt (R)



Alloway

Franklin County native Richard Alloway served five years as an aide to Sen. Terry Punt. He took office as a magisterial district judge after defeating a 12-year incumbent on both the Democratic and Republican tickets in 2003. Alloway, an attorney, was the previous owner of Madison Settlement Services in Chambersburg.

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39 (Westmoreland)

Kim Ward (R) defeats Tony Bompiani (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Bob Regola (R)



Ward

Westmoreland County Commissioner Kim Ward defeated Youngwood chiropractor Tony Bompiani to win the 39th District seat held by Robert Regola, a Hempfield Republican who chose not to seek a second term. Ward's victory occurred a year after she was elected to a four-year term as county commissioner. She is expected to leave that office before the end of the year.

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47 (Allegheny, Beaver, Lawrence)

Elder Vogel Jr. (R) defeats Jason Petrella (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Sen. Gerald LaValle (D)



Vogel

Vogel, a dairy farmer, defeated Jason Petrella by over 12,500 votes in what had, until recently, been considered a strongly Democratic County. Vogel was aided by public disgust over the indictment of current and former Beaver County legislators, the legislative pay raise, and revelations about the Beaver Initiative for Growth which is linked to former Representative Mike Veon.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DIST. 13 (Chester)

Tom Houghton (D) defeats John Lawrence (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Art Hershey (R)



Houghton

Tom Houghton, Chairman of the London Grove Board of Supervisors, was aided by a 3rd party candidate named "Hershey" and a huge Democratic vote at the top of the ticket to win the seat by 349 votes. Houghton's campaign focused on property-tax reductions, open-space preservation and promotion of Pennsylvania's green energy industry. He lost to Rep. Art Hershey in 2006 by only 8% of the votes cast.

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15 (Beaver)

Jim Christiana (R) defeats incumbent Vince Biancucci (D)



Christiana

Twenty-five year old Jim Christiana took advantage of voter anger about the pay raise and Bonusgate to defeat incumbent Rep. Vince Biancucci (D-Beaver) by 854 votes. Christiana successfully labeled Biancucci as an obstacle to reform and part of the problem in Harrisburg to overcome a 2-1 Democratic voter registration edge.

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16 (Allegheny, Beaver)

Rob Matzie (D) wins, unopposed

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Sean Ramaley (D)



Matzie

Rob Matzie, a long-time aide to Senator Gerald LaValle (D-Beaver), ran unopposed in the General Election race to replace Rep. Sean Ramaley (D-Beaver). Ramaley withdrew his bid for re-election after being indicted in the Bonusgate investigation. House Republicans can be expected to go after Matzie in 2010.

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21 (Allegheny)

Dom Costa (D) defeats Jonah Yon McAllister-Erickson (G)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Lisa Bennington (D)



Costa

The “Costa” name is gold in Allegheny County. Former Pittsburgh Chief of Police Dom Costa joins his cousins, Senator Jay and Representative Paul in the General Assembly replacing Rep. Bennington (D-Allegheny) who did not run for re-election.

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27 (Allegheny)

Daniel Deasy Jr. (D) defeats Frank Liberatore (REF)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Tom Petrone (D)



Deasy

Pittsburgh City Councilman Dan Deasy garnered over 80% of the vote to beat Reform Candidate Frank Liberatore in the race to replace 28-year House veteran Rep. Tom Petrone (D-Allegheny). Attorney Deasy was the winner of a contested Democratic primary in the spring.

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31 (Bucks)

Steve Santarsiero (D) defeats Pete Stainthorpe (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. David Steil (R)



Santarsiero

Lower Makefield Township Supervisor and educator Steve Santarsiero puts a high school civics lesson in action by claiming this seat for the Democrats. The seat became open with the retirement of Republican Rep. David Steil.

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57 (Westmoreland)

Tim Krieger (R) defeats John Boyle (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Tom Tangretti (D)



Krieger

In a battle of two attorneys, Republican Tim Krieger defeated John Boyle by 864 votes in the race to replace Rep. Tom Tangretti (R-Westmoreland). Krieger will be the first Republican in forty years to represent Greensburg in the state House. Democrats hold a 7,000 voter registration edge in the district.

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59 (Fayette, Westmoreland)

Mike Reese (R) defeats Michael O’Barto (D)
Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Jess Stairs (R)



Reese

Republican Mike Reese, who served as Chief of Staff for two Westmoreland County Commissioners, beat Mike O’Barto in the race to succeed Rep. Jess Stairs (R-Westmoreland). A major theme of Reese’s campaign was to “return accountability to Harrisburg.”

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63 (Armstrong, Clarion)

Donna Oberlander (R) defeats Matthew Ellenberger (D)
Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Fred McIlhatten (R)



Oberlander

Clarion County Commissioner Donna Oberlander defeated Democrat Matt Ellenberger by 7,642 votes in the race to replace Rep. Fred McIlhatten (R-Clarion). The rural 63rd District includes all of Clarion County and a portion of Armstrong County.

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69 (Bedford, Somerset)

Carl Metzgar (R) defeats Ken Warnick (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Bob Bastian (R)



Metzgar

Allegheny Township attorney Carl Metzgar easily defeated college administrator Ken Warnick to keep the 69th District seat in GOP control. The race was marked by the cordiality of both candidates as they battled to replace Rep. Bob Bastian (R-Somerset). “He ran a noble race and I couldn’t ask for a more commendable opponent,” said losing candidate Ken Warnick.

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70 (Montgomery)

Matt Bradford (D) defeats incumbent Jay Moyer (R)



Bradford

Matt Bradford, a former Chief of Staff for Congressman Joe Hoeffel, defeated Rep. Jay Moyer (R-Montgomery) by 813 votes to put the 70th District seat in the Democratic column. Rep. Moyer was elected to the seat by only 103 votes in one of the tightest elections in 2006.

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71 (Cambria)

Bryan Barbin (D) defeats Jim Rigby (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Ed Wojnaroski (D)



Barbin

Local attorney and former Deputy Attorney General Bryan Barbin beat Republican Jim Rigby by 250 votes in the race to replace Rep. Ed Wojnaroski (D-Cambria). Barbin said his focus is on creating “family-sustaining jobs” by reviving the region’s steel and coal industries.

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72 (Cambria, Somerset)

Frank Burns (D) defeats Chris Voccio (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Tom Yewcic (D)



Burns

Frank Burns relied on heavy Cambria County Democratic support to offset local publisher Chris Voccio’s strength in Somerset County to win the race to replace Rep. Tom Yewcic (D-Cambria). Both candidates called on state government to reduce costs and agreed that they would not support tax increases.

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75 (Clearfield, Elk)

Matt Gabler (R) defeats incumbent Dan Surra (D)



Gabler

The combination of Rep. Dan Surra's (D-Elk) support for tolling I-80 and the legislative pay raise were key issues leading to Matt Gabler's General Election victory. An Air Force Reserve officer and a former state House Research Analyst, Gabler was endorsed by Congressman John Peterson (R-5th District) for his opposition to tolling I-80.

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83 (Lycoming)

Richard Mirabito (D) defeats Dave Huffman (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Steve Cappelli (R)



Mirabito

Attorney Rich Mirabito picks up the seat for the Democrats by defeating Dave Huffman. The seat was opened by the departure of Rep. Steve Cappelli (R-Lycoming) who launched an unsuccessful bid for the 23rd Districts state Senate seat.

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88 (Cumberland)

Sheryl DeLozier (R) defeats Margie Stuski (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Jerry Nailor (R)



DeLozier

Sheryl DeLozier, who served in the Ridge Administration and as a PUC staff member, easily defeated Democrat Margie Stuski in this heavily Republican district. DeLozier will replace Rep. Jerry Nailor (R-Cumberland) who did not run for re-election.

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113 (Lackawanna)

Kevin Murphy (D) defeats incumbent Frank Shimkus (R)



Murphy

Scranton City Councilman Kevin Murphy defeated Republican candidate Frank Shimkus in the General Election. After being thrown off the primary ballot, Shimkus (D-Lackawanna) won a write in campaign to become the Republican nominee. Murphy attacked him on integrity and on the abuse of legislative per diems.

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142 (Bucks)

Frank Farry (R) defeats incumbent Chris King (D)



Farry

Frank Farry, an attorney and chief of the Langhorne-Middletown Fire Company, beat incumbent Rep. Chris King (D-Bucks) to reclaim this seat for the GOP. King defeated eight-term Republican Rep. Matt Wright in 2006.

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149 (Montgomery)

Tim Briggs (D) defeats Lynne Lechter (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Daylin Leach (D)



Briggs

Upper Merion Democrat Tim Briggs defeated Republican Lynne Lechter of Upper Merion by over 7,600 votes to win the 149th District seat. The seat became available when incumbent Daylin Leach (D-Montgomery) announced he was running for state Senate and would not run for re-election to the House seat.

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157 (Chester, Montgomery)

Paul Drucker (D) defeats Guy Ciarrocchi (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Carole Rubley (R)



Drucker

Employment law attorney Paul Drucker brings the 157th into the Democratic column by defeating Republican Guy Ciarrocchi by 614 votes in the race to replace Rep. Carole Rubley (R-Chester). Drucker said that Ciarrocchi was too right-wing for the district and had been a Bush Administration appointee. The race was a top priority for both parties.

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162 (Delaware)

Nick Miccarelli (R) defeats John DeFrancisco (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Ron Raymond (R)



Miccarelli

Nick Miccarelli, a 26 year old Iraq war veteran, defeated local labor leader John DeFrancisco in a bitter race to succeed Rep. Ron Raymond (R-Delaware). Miccarelli, a leader of the PA College Republicans while at Penn, was Raymond's Chief of Staff prior to running for the office.

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170 (Montgomery, Philadelphia)

Brendan Boyle (D) defeats Matt Taubenberg (R)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. George Kenney Jr. (R)



Boyle

Boyle, a business consultant, defeated Matt Taubenberg in the race to replace Rep. George Kenney (R-Phila.). Boyle has an undergraduate degree from Notre Dame and a Masters from Harvard in Public Policy. The popular Kenney, first elected in 1984, kept this seat in GOP hands despite an overwhelming Democratic voter registration edge.

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186 (Philadelphia)

Kenyatta Johnson (D) wins, unopposed

Johnson defeated incumbent Rep. Harold James (D) in primary



Johnson

Kenyatta Johnson ran unopposed to take the seat of Rep. Harold James (D-Phila.). Johnson, who once served as an aide to state Senator Anthony Hardy Williams, has directed the organization "Peace Not Guns" for the last ten years.

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187 (Berks, Lehigh)

Gary Day (R) defeats John Ritter (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Carl Mantz (R)



Gary Day, a former Service Electric Cablevision employee, won the General Election to replace Rep. Carl Mantz (R-Lehigh) who announced his retirement after serving only one term. Prior to joining the cable industry, Day served as the Executive Assistant to the Mayor in Allentown. Day's top legislative priorities include property tax reform and open space preservation.

Day

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190 (Philadelphia)

Vanessa Brown (D) defeats Rahim Foreman (R)

Brown defeated incumbent Rep. Thomas Blackwell IV (D) in primary



Social activist Vanessa Brown defeated Republican Rahim Foreman in the race to replace Rep. Thomas Blackwell (D-Phila.) who did not run for re-election. Brown, a well-known community leader in West Philadelphia, served as an organizer with the People's Emergency Center.

Brown

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193 (Adams, York)

Will Tallman (R) defeats Neil Clifford (D)

Open seat due to retirement of Rep. Steve Nickol (R)



Tallman

Will Tallman defeated Democrat Neil Clifford in the race to replace nine-term Rep. Steve Nickol (R-York). Tallman unsuccessfully challenged Nickol in the 2004 Republican primary. Tallman's legislative priorities include eliminating property tax as the primary source of income for local government.

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196 (York)

Seth Grove (R) wins, unopposed

Open seat due to withdrawal of Rep. Bev Mackereth (R)



Grove

Seth Grove is the newly-elected Representative for York County's 196th District. Grove has been the Chief of Staff for Rep. Keith Gillespie (R-York). He previously served as a legislative aide for Congressman Todd Platts (R-19th District).

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