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## Concealed Carry Seminar Draws Enthusiastic Crowd

By Rep. Ann Flood

My Concealed Carry Seminar was right on the mark, with great information from our guest speakers and enthusiastic participation from the fantastic crowd.

Residents of the 138th District joined me at the Stockertown Rod and Gun Club last Wednesday evening to learn more about their Second Amendment rights and Pennsylvania's gun laws.

We were joined by First Assistant District Attorney Robert Eyer from the Northampton County District Attorney's Office, Waterways Conservation Officer Zach Rudd, State Game Warden David Furmato, and Lt. Richard Webb from the Lehigh County Sheriff's Department, all of whom shared valuable insights.

I held this informative event because proper training and responsible gun ownership save lives and prevent crimes every year. I appreciate our special guests and everyone who took the time to attend this important event!

## Budget Hearings Start with Economic Development Conversations

By Rep. Ann Flood

As a member of the House Appropriations Committee, I took part in today's first budget hearing with the Department of Community and Economic Development. Our committee is charged with closely reviewing Gov. Josh Shapiro's \$51.5 billion budget proposal for the 2025-2026 fiscal year.

During the hearing, I raised concerns about the proposed increase of Pennsylvania's minimum wage to \$15 an hour, a 107% increase over the current rate.

While I recognize the importance of improving wages, I am worried about the potential impact this could have on small businesses in our communities. Many of our small businesses are deeply concerned about this blanket increase and the strain it may place on their operations. It's crucial we fully understand the scope of this proposal to ensure we strike the right balance between wage fairness and the economic realities faced by our local businesses.

Stay tuned for more updates as budget hearings continue by following me on Facebook.

Watch my video above to learn more or watch the full hearing here <https://links.pahouse-news.com/q/iV4jjQ8iLa0XPqboW41B6SGbQKTUaqyybOwZcOJTU9SVE9TS0IAUKNOLKNPTcOIRA2pO3nkdKOGLOFy5GErVQkcPqw>.

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