

Discussing Key Real Estate Issues with Local Realtors

By State Rep. Ann Flood

I recently met with members of the Greater Lehigh Valley Realtors Association, including Asher Schiavone, director of government affairs, in my office to discuss their 2025 legislative agenda.

Our discussion focused on a proposal to exempt real estate and appraiser schools, which are already regulated by the Department of State, from additional oversight under the Private Licensed School Act.

We also discussed infrastructure improvements, appraiser certifications and other issues important to the local real estate community, most of which have already passed the House.

I appreciated the opportunity to hear their perspective and look forward to working with them on these priorities throughout the session.

In Pursuit of Government Efficiency

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With the state budget deadline looming, the House Republican Policy Committee held a public hearing this week highlighting real-world examples of how state government agencies can operate more effectively without expanding bureaucracy.

The hearing featured testimony from Pennsylvania State Treasurer Stacy Garrity and Pennsylvania State Treasury Policy Director Thomas Armstrong, showcasing Treasury's measurable successes in modernizing operations, cutting waste and delivering better service to Pennsylvanians – all while keeping spending under control.

Garrity's results-driven leadership stands in stark contrast to Gov. Josh Shapiro's proposed budget, which grows government without deliv-



ering measurable reform. Instead of bloated bureaucracy, Treasury's approach reflects what Pennsylvanians expect from their government: smart management, responsible spending and tangible results.

Offering Veteran Service Appointments

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I host veteran assistance hours at my district office, located at 962 Pennsylvania Ave., Pen Argyl, on the second Wednesday of every month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. American Legion Service Officer Eric Medei will be available to help veterans and their widows with military benefits.

We owe our veterans so much for their service and sacrifice, which is why I'm committed to offering this support.

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