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Honoring Easton's Historic Reading of the Declaration

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**WEDNESDAY,
JULY 8, 2026**

5PM-8PM

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Joe Emrick
Pennsylvania State Representative
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Bill to Cut Consumer Electric Bills Advances

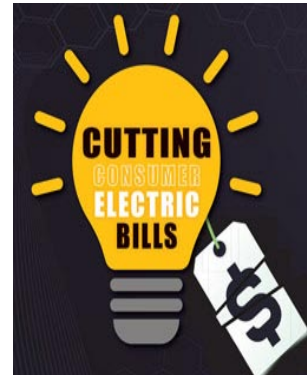
By State Rep. Joe Emrick

With utility bills continuing to strain family budgets, I was proud to join in the unanimous support of legislation to eliminate a nearly 6% Gross Receipts Tax on your electricity bill.

House Bill 2224 would represent the largest tax cut in the history of the Commonwealth, saving Pennsylvania families \$1.7 billion.

In addition to eliminating the Gross Receipts Tax on utility bills, we are also advocating for a six-month suspension of the tax on cell phone services and the gas tax.

House Bill 2224 passed the House unanimously and is pending consideration in the Senate.



Easton Declaration Dinner

By Northampton County Historical & Genealogical Society

EASTON - Join the Northampton County Historical & Genealogical Society and the Greater Easton Development Partnership for The Easton Declaration Dinner, a landmark evening honoring the 250th anniversary of the public reading of the Declaration of Independence in Easton.

Held in the spirit of the Revolutionary era, this signature event brings history to life through a festive dinner experience, engaging storytelling, and special programming that highlights Easton's pivotal role in the spread of news of American independence in 1776. Guests will enjoy a thoughtfully curated evening of food, community, and reflection on the enduring ideas of liberty, democracy, and civic life.

Set in the heart of downtown Easton, this commemorative gathering offers a rare opportunity to connect with fellow community members, historians, and civic leaders while celebrating a defining moment in both local and world history.

Tickets are now half sold out—don't miss your chance to be part of this once-in-a-generation anniversary celebration. Reserve your seat today.

Event Details: July 8, 2026 5:00-8:00 PM Thyme Rooftop Grille in Easton, Pennsylvania

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Giving Local Governments Another Tool to Address Data Center Development

By State Rep. Joe Emrick

This week, I voted to approve legislation, House Bill 2496, that seeks to allow municipalities to implement a six-month moratorium on data center developments.

Given the rapid growth of data centers in our state, I think a moratorium on data center development is appropriate.

Earlier in the day, I was denied the opportunity to amend a different piece of legislation. I sought to impose a two-year moratorium on data center development in our commonwealth.

With its near-unanimous approval in the House, House Bill 2496 now heads to the state Senate for consideration.

You can view a video of my comments after the vote by clicking here https://links.pahousenews.com/q/jiW444D6OH0XKxmAml7TH1StXUVhH_ax_9iZcOJYnZ0aW1lC0ByY24uY29tw4g7nngWII1fLp-La0gkN-rNDut96Q.

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