

## ACSL Nov 2018 Legislative report

All legislation NOT enacted in the 2017-2018 legislation is dead for all practical purposes unless a special sine die session is called for. As both the PA house and senate have only one session day scheduled remaining in Nov.

**Nov 6, 2018 election results** all race results here - > <https://www.electionreturns.pa.gov/>

**Preliminary results of Nov 6<sup>th</sup> election as of Nov 8, 2018 are as follows**

**Federal level** – Democrats so far winning 223 seats out of 435 house seats

The most recent figures had Republicans holding 51 seats and Democrats with just 46, with a handful of races still too close to call in appears the Senate remains under Republican control Pending final challenges Estimate has Republicans lost 25 seats in house & picked up 6 in senate

**Governor race:** Scott Wagner (R) got more votes than governor Wolf did when first elected and Wagner still lost by over 800,000.

*100 Votes Separate Tommy Tomlinson & Tina Davis*

*Incumbent Republican State Sen. Tommy Tomlinson was ahead of Democratic State Rep. Tina Davis by exactly 100 votes as of early Wednesday morning in the race for the Sixth Senate District seat.*

*Davis finished with 54,219 ballots cast, according to preliminary county election results.*

*Rep Davis, who also ran to retain her state representative seat, was victorious over Republican Anthony Sposato in that race.*

<http://levittownnow.com/2018/11/07/100-votes-separate-tommy-tomlinson-tina-davis/>

### **PA Senate**

8 or 7 senators newly elected (see above)

Only thing really positive about senate election is senator Greenleaf (R) – judiciary chairman the main road block in senate for pro-gun legislation moving ....LOST!

Two FOAC endorsed woman upgraded from Reps to Senators Judy Ward & Kristin Hill

In 10 district Rep Marguerite Quinn (R) FOAC rated “F” – prime sponsor of HB 2060 protection from abuse act also LOST her run for senate seat and thankfully didn’t also run to retain her house seat. The winner is former Rep Steve Santarsiero which was no friend to gun owners either, so it was a lose-lose for us. Former retiring Senator McIlhinney FOAC rated “B+”

Plus PA senator Guy Reschenthaler won seat in congress so there will be special election in district 37 to fill this vacant PA senate seat.

## Pa House

We have 40 newly elected representatives in the house (see above)

We lost 14 solid pro-gun Reps many due to retirement

Worse we also lost several more pro-gun Democrats, that unlike the RINO's actually took a stand to support us in caucus session and floor votes.

Democrats Rep Hanna & Rep Bloom along former chairman of the house 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment caucus Rep Dom Costa that lost in primary to openly declared Socialist

*National Socialist Workers Party = slang for NAZI The NAZI were a left wing group despite years of propaganda NAZI were just right of Communist all far left*

In PA house elections these socialist won and were endorsed by

DSA = Democratic Socialist of America

<https://www.dsausa.org/statements/npc-statement-on-2018-elections/>

PA – Elizabeth Fiedler State House – District 184

PA – Sara Innamorato State House – District 21

PA – Summer Lee State House – District 34

## **All of this state and federal elections results does not hold well for gun owners in 2019-2020 legislative session.**

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Ask people **What form of government do we have?** Often they will answer a democracy!

Democracy = Two wolves and a sheep voting on what to have for dinner.

### **Are We a Democracy or a Republic?**

Article 4, Section 4 of the U.S. Constitution is commonly called the Guarantee Clause.

*“The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence.”*

The deterioration of a republic into a democracy, and then into an oligarchy is an old story. Rome is a good example.

The word "Democracy" cannot be found in the Declaration of Independence, or the Constitution, or in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag, or the Constitutions of any of the States.

It was not left out by accident. Our founding fathers wrote long essays of the concept, and left no doubt that it was not error that they would not be foolish enough to make.

### **Are We a Democracy or a Republic?**

1. THE SOLDIER'S TRAINING MANUAL<sup>1</sup> issued by the War Department, November 30, 1928, set forth the exact and truthful definitions of a democracy and of a republic - this manual was ordered destroyed shortly after the "bank holiday" in the thirties by the infamous Franklin Delano Roosevelt (January 30, 1882 – April 12, 1945) thirty second President of the United States, so that he could institute a democracy utilizing social security as a means to make everyone a slave to the Federal Government. THE SOLDIER'S TRAINING MANUAL used for all men in army uniform, it gave the definition of democracy: (TM2000-25: 118-120)

**CITIZENSHIP DEMOCRACY** *"A government of the masses. Authority derived through mass meeting of any, for direct expression. Results in mobocracy. Attitude toward property is communistic—negating property rights. Attitude toward law is that the will of the majority shall regulate, whether it be based upon deliberation or governed by passion, prejudice, and impulse, without restraint or regard to consequences. Results in demagoguism, license, agitation, discontent, anarchy."*

2. From James Madison, one of the members of the Convention charged with writing our Constitution, he wrote the following: "...democracies have ever been spectacles of turbulence and contention; have ever been found incompatible with personal security, or the rights of property; and have in general been as short in their lives as they have been in violent in their deaths." The word democracy does not appear in the constitution of a single one of our fifty states.

3. John Marshall, who was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from 1801 to 1835 said: "Between a balanced republic and a democracy, the difference is like that between order and chaos."

### **Webster's 1828 Dictionary definitions:**

**DEMOCRACY:** *Government by the people; a form of government, in which the supreme powers is lodged in the hands of the people collectively, or in which the people exercise the power of legislation. Such was the government of Athens.*

**REPUBLIC:** *1. A commonwealth; a state in which the exercise of the sovereign power is lodged in representatives elected by the people. In modern usage, it differs from a democracy or democratic state, in which the people exercise the powers of sovereignty in person. Yet the democracies of Greece are often called REPUBLICS. 2. Common interest; the public. Republic of letters, the collective body of learned men.*

### **Hallmarks of Democracy**

"Mobocracy": rule according to the whims of majority public opinion.

"Judicial Legislation": rulings from the bench in conformity with "social policy".

"Democracy is a form of government that cannot long survive, for as soon as the people learn that they have a voice in the fiscal policies of the government, they will move to vote for themselves all the money in the treasury, and bankrupt the nation." - Karl Marx, author of the Communist Manifesto.

## **THE SOLDIER'S TRAINING MANUAL (TM2000-25: 120-121)**

**CITIZENSHIP REPUBLIC:** *“Authority is derived through the election by the people of public officials best fitted to represent them. Attitude toward law is the administration of justice in accord with fixed principles and established evidence, with a strict regard to consequences. A greater number of citizens and extent of territory may be brought within its compass. Avoids the dangerous extreme of either tyranny or mobocracy. Results in statesmanship, liberty, reason, justice, contentment, and progress. Is the "standard form" of government throughout the world. A republic is a form of government under a constitution which provides for the election of*

*(1) an executive and (2) a legislative body, who working together in a representative capacity, have all the power of appointment, all power of legislation, all power to raise revenue and appropriate expenditures, and are required to create (3) a judiciary to pass upon the justice and legality of their government acts and to recognize (4) certain inherent individual rights”*

*Take away any one or more of those four elements and you are drifting into autocracy. Add one or more to those four elements and you are drifting into democracy.*

*Atwood. Superior to all others.--Autocracy declares the divine right of kings; its authority can not be questioned; its powers are arbitrarily or unjustly administered. Democracy is the "direct" rule of the people and has been repeatedly tried without success. Our Constitutional fathers, familiar with the strength and weakness of both autocracy and democracy, with fixed principles definitely in mind, defined a representative republican form of government. They "made a very marked distinction between a republic and a democracy \* \* \* and said repeatedly and emphatically that they had founded a republic."*

### **Hallmarks of a Constitutional Republic**

All laws are written laws.

The lawful actions of government can arise from written authority only.

The laws must be written so that any Citizen of average intelligence can understand it, otherwise it must be held "void for vagueness".

"I pledge allegiance to the flag ... and to the Republic for which it stands..." United States Pledge of Allegiance."

"The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government...." - Article 4 Section 4 of the U.S. Constitution

it's worth reading again. If you have not, it is worth reading, studying, and reciting to your friends, family, and neighbors. It is copied from [Training Manual No. 2000-25](#) that was published by the then War Department, Washington, D.C., November 30, 1928.

<https://www.1215.org/lawnotes/lawnotes/repvdem.htm>