PA Minimum Wage Issue
Tackled by Maximum Impact

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The RULE XIX Class had exceptional fortune to hear
Representative Patty Kim at their 5th Study Institute, where
she discussed sponsorship of her legislation related to PA
minimum wage. Serendipity took RULE to the Gallery of The
House Floor, at the very moment when Representative Kim
proposed her legislation. We were able to witness the vote to
move forward.

Claire Kovach, Researcher from the Keystone Research
& PA Budget & Policy Center noted, “Each year minimum
wage is not raised, low wage workers effectively get a pay
cut, because costs of necessities are raised.” House Bill 1500
(Representative Patty Kim) will raise the minimum wage to
$15 by 2026. The next step is Senate consideration.

RULE XIX Scholar comments:
~Outstanding conversation and willingness to want to make
change.
~I like your insight provided and that you are working
across party lines.
~Thank you for your talk and being conversational with the
group!
~Thank you for sharing your story and being willing to
advocate for those who don’t have a voice.
~Thanks for sharing your stories and wisdom with us in a
nonpartisan fashion.
~Thank you for your gracious and honest discussion of
issues and your story of moving forward in governance
during difficult situations.