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## Democrats Win Pennsylvania State House Majority in Shocking Upset

The victory will put Democrats in control of the state House for the first time since 2011, and will likely lead to Pennsylvania's first Black woman speaker.



State Rep. Joanna McClinton (D) is likely to become the first Black woman to serve as speaker of the Pennsylvania House, after Democrats unexpectedly won the majority in the chamber

Democrats have flipped the Pennsylvania state House of Representatives, unexpectedly gaining control of the legislative chamber for the first time in a decade. The Associated Press confirmed that Democrats had flipped 12 seats, enough to hold a narrow majority in the state House, on Saturday, when it called a final outstanding race for Democratic candidate Melissa Cerrato.

Democrats will still have to compromise with Pennsylvania's GOP-controlled state Senate, but they could use the House to advance major priorities, including efforts to expand voting rights and protect abortion access.

