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# LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT



## PA Congressman Tom Marino Resigning

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) By Marc Levy | The Associated Press and Mark Scoloro

According to *The Associated Press*© Tom Marino, a five-term Republican congressman who helped steer Donald Trump's successful presidential campaign in Pennsylvania, said Thursday that he is resigning just days into a new term.

In a statement, Marino said his last day will be Jan. 23 and that he is taking a job in the private sector.

Marino easily won re-election in November in his heavily Republican district in northern and central Pennsylvania. The district includes Perry and Juniata counties.

The 66-year-old former county and federal prosecutor was one of Trump's earliest supporters in Congress. Trump nicknamed Marino and former Rep. Lou Barletta "thunder and lightning" when they co-chaired his campaign in Pennsylvania.

Trump nominated Marino in 2017 to become the nation's drug czar, but Marino withdrew his name from consideration after reports he played a key role in a law that weakened federal power to stop companies from distributing opioids.

Gov. Tom Wolf, a Democrat, must schedule a special election to fill Marino's seat.