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## LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

### OUR BROTHER, SENATOR BREWSTER IS GETTING THE RUN AROUND

**PA Sen. Jim Brewster was formally a Teamster member from Local 341.**

#### **Jim Brewster's Pa. Senate swearing-in will be delayed, top GOP senator says**

According to an article posted on line from the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*®, Pennsylvania Senate Republicans will not seat Democrat Jim Brewster on Tuesday, citing a pending legal challenge over his electoral win and an official objection filed in the chamber by the incumbent senator's opponent, a GOP caucus leader said.

Mr. Brewster's swearing-in will be delayed, interim Senate President Pro Tempore Jake Corman said Monday, because senators need time to consider opposing views of the objection filed by Republican Nicole Zicarelli, who lost to Mr. Brewster, of McKeesport, by 69 votes in the Nov. 3 election.

Democrats, meanwhile, accused Republicans of trying to steal an election from its rightful winner, noting that Mr. Brewster's win was officially certified by Pennsylvania's secretary of state and was already litigated numerous times in court.

The GOP leader said the Senate would set aside the results of the 45th District race on Tuesday, when swearing-in of new members begins the next legislative session. Senators then will review the documents and make a decision on the case, he said, though it was unclear how that process would look.

"I'm not going to try to predict what members will decide to do," Mr. Corman said. "That is a decision for each individual member."

Mr. Corman said it's not about control of the Senate -- Republicans will stay in the majority -- but the procedures of the Senate. Mr. Brewster said he sees it as an attack on the democratic process.

Advocating for Mr. Brewster's seating, Senate Minority Leader Jay Costa, D-Forest Hills, said the state had already certified the results of the race. He added that Ms. Zicarelli's challenges had been defeated in the courts and that Republicans were taking a page out of President Donald Trump's playbook by "trying to re-litigate things that have already been litigated thoroughly and properly for the last two months."

**Contact your state senator today to ask him or her to stop this attempt to override the decision of the voters.**

See complete article at: [Jim Brewster's Pa. Senate swearing-in will be delayed, top GOP senator says | Pittsburgh Post-Gazette \(post-gazette.com\)](https://www.post-gazette.com/stories/local/politics/pa-senate-swearing-in-will-be-delayed-top-gop-senator-says/2021-01-05/)