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-- AP: [Oil Climbs To \\$105 A Barrel As US President's Plan To Buy Diesel From Russia Drew Criticism From Some Lawmakers](#)

-- Financial Times: [European Natural Gas Hits Iran Wartime High As Cold Weather Boosts Prices](#)

-- AP: [US Inflation Worsened In September To 3.7% In Sign That Prices Remain Elevated As Midterm Elections Near](#) [Inflation In Sept. 2024 was 2.4%]

-- Financial Times: [US Inflation Jumps 3.7% As Iran War Drives Up Prices](#)

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-- WHY: [PA US Sen. McCormick Offers A Prescription For High Costs: Less Government Red Tape, Eliminating Regulations](#)

-- PennLive Guest Essay: [10.5 Million Words Of Regulations Stand In The Way Of A.I., Energy Development In Pennsylvania](#) - By PA US Sen. Dave McCormick [[McCormick's Wife Is President And Vice Chairman Of Meta/Facebook](#)]

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