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Ohio Chamber and PA Chamber Bet Home State's Products in Friendly College Football Wager

This Saturday, November 2, the Ohio State Buckeyes and the Penn State Nittany Lions will face off in State College for a much-anticipated Top 5 matchup. Ohio Chamber President and CEO Steve Stivers and PA Chamber President and CEO Luke Bernstein have decided to renew their friendly wager made last year, and the losing chamber will send the winning chamber a selection of state-made products to enjoy.

As the foremost advocates for their states' business communities, the two chambers of commerce are proud to share their locally made products, but both hope they are receiving rather than sending.

"We're excited to put our friendly rivalry on the line this Saturday," said Stivers. "It's going to be a tough matchup; Penn State will have to overcome a lot of X-factor Buckeyes players this year, with our two-headed monster in the backfield and one of the country's best college receiver duos lined up on the outside. We may be the road team this year, but the Buckeyes have secured seven consecutive wins in this matchup, and we're looking forward to an eighth. While we'd love to share some of our great Ohio products with Pennsylvania someday, it won't be today."

If the Buckeyes win, Bernstein will receive cans of Skyline Chili, a Graeter's Ice Cream gift card, Carfagna's pasta sauce, tickets to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame in Cleveland, a gift card to Cameron Mitchell's Ocean Prime Restaurant, a Wilson football and Brillo pads.

If the Nittany Lions win, Stivers will receive Yuengling Oktoberfest beer, Reese's Peanut Butter Pumpkins, Musselman's Apple Cider, Tröegs Master of Pumpkins beer and Taylor Chip cookies.

"We realize we're the slight underdogs heading into the weekend, but we're ready," Bernstein said. "The Nittany Lions' passing and rushing game is off the charts this season – they're undefeated for a reason – and there's no atmosphere in the country like a pumped-up Beaver Stadium in early November. We're looking forward to a Nittany Lion victory and a delivery of made-in-Ohio treats to celebrate it! Our Governor recently said that he is sick and tired of getting beat by Ohio...we are too, and that stops this weekend! Roar Lions Roar!"

No. 3 Penn State and No. 4 Ohio State will kick off at 12 p.m. on Saturday. The game will be featured as ESPN College GameDay's college football game of the week, and it marks the first matchup between these teams in which both are ranked in the top 5 nationally since 1996.

The Ohio Chamber is the state's leading business advocate and represents thousands of companies that do business in Ohio. Our mission is to aggressively champion free enterprise, economic competitiveness and growth for the benefit of all Ohioans.

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