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A look at the Continental Cement Davenport Plant on Monday in Buffalo. The company has committed to investing \$62 million in a new storage dome and in Green America Energy LLC, the sustainability arm of the operation.

\$62 million invested for sustainability in Buffalo

\$30M for storage dome, \$32M to reduce its carbon footprint

cement storage dome that will sustainability. hold materials during the winter. It is the largest of its kind in Summit Materials

Company officials this week its carbon footprint and make a ing the Empire State Building cut the ribbon on a \$30 million name for itself as a champion of

and the Panama Canal, according to its website.

In 1986, the company began using supplemental waste qctimes.com

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Accused of faking cancer, **Russo** asks for money back

Filing says funds in 3 bank accounts not subject to forfeiture

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The woman accused of bilking donors out of more than \$37,000 with a fake cancer diagnosis has asked prosecutors to return \$33,230.76 seized by Eldridge Police.

Madison Russo, 19, of Eldridge,

filed earlier this month in Scott County Court for a return of funds seized from two U.S. Bank accounts in her name and a third in the names of



Russo Madison Russo and Peggy Russo, her mother.

Russo, formerly of Bettendorf, is charged with one count of first-degree theft. The charge is a Class C felony under Iowa law that carries a prison sentence of 10 years or a term on probation. She pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Russo was arrested Jan. 23 by Eldridge Police.

The investigation began after medical professionals looking at her GoFundMe page noticed inaccuracies in the photos Russo posted. Some of the images Russo used were taken from the social media sites of real cancer patients, police allege.

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Continental Cement has been eight years but now is making investments totaling more than Loomes. \$60 million.

North America.

The company is investing another \$32 million into improvements on its recycling doing business in Buffalo for and sustainability efforts, said Continental CEO David

umbrella

Continental Cement started in Hannibal, Missouri, in 1903, then known as Atlas Portland Cement. Throughout the years, its cement was used in a number Its goal is two-fold: Reduce of high-profile projects, includ-

to power its kilns. In 2005, this resulted in Green America Recycling LLC. In 2010, the company was purchased by Summit Materials, a Denver-based building material company.

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House passes parents' rights

concerns, faces dead end in Dem Senate

STEPHEN R. GROVES Associated Press

WASHINGTON - House Republicans on Friday narrowly passed legislation that would fulfill a campaign promise to give parents a role in what's taught in public schools. It has little chance in the Democrat-run passed 213-208, with five Re-Senate and critics said it would publicans - mostly members

aimed at transgender students ings across the country.

Speaker Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif. who made the Parents' Bill of Rights Act a priority during the early weeks of his tenure, said Republicans were "keeping our promise, our commitment to America, that parents will have a say in their kids' education." The bill

Measure raises LGBTQ propel a far-right movement that of the House Freedom Caucus has led to book bans, restrictions – voting against it. - voting against it.

It would require schools to and raucous school board meet - publish course studies and a list of books kept in libraries, as well as affirm parents' ability to meet with educators, speak at school board meetings and examine school budgets.

> In the Senate, Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., promised that the legislation would face a "dead end." He said it was further evidence that the

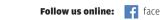


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Speaker of the House Kevin McCarthy speaks about the "Parents Bill of Please see PARENTS, Page A2 Rights" on March 1 next to Rep. Elise Stefanik on Capitol Hill in Washington.

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