

**Coalition of Ohio Regional Districts  
*Legislative Report – November 2023***

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**Legislative Update – House Bill 257**

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| [HB 257](https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/135/hb257) | **Administrative Procedure** ([Hoops, J.](https://www.gongwer-oh.com/directories/bio.cfm?nameid=28702), [Claggett, T.](https://www.gongwer-oh.com/directories/bio.cfm?nameid=289702)) To authorize certain public bodies to meet virtually. CONTINUED-AMENDED (Current Status: PASSED BY HOUSE (74-3) – 11/29/2023) |

The Ohio House voted 73-3 to pass [HB 257](https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/135/hb257/documents) this month. The bill, sponsored by State Reps. Jim Hoops (R-Napoleon) and Thad Claggett (R-Newark), would allow certain public bodies to meet virtually by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic technology. In his floor speech on the bill, Rep. Hoops commented that he was skeptical about virtual meetings prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, but has since observed that virtual meetings encouraged attendance and participation by both the "members of a public body and the public that they themselves serve." In response to concerns, the bill specifies which bodies are excluded from virtual participation, including the General Assembly and its committees and subcommittees, and specific circumstances that require in-person meetings, he said. Joint sponsor Rep. Claggett added that virtual attendance helps cut down drive times, of particular importance in the winter, and lets members participate when they are out of town. The bill will now head to the Ohio Senate for further consideration.

**October H2Ohio Updates**

The H2Ohio Initiative recently held its [FY23 Annual Report Update](C://Users/LocalAdmin/Downloads/H2Ohio-Stakeholder-11.2023.pdf) with a virtual presentation hearing from each of the initiative’s four partners on the highlights of the past year. This was the fourth annual report update for the initiative. Among other things, the presentation covered the enacted state budget for FY 24-25, the latest metrics for the program, an updated map of projects across the state, and some of the biggest accomplishments from FY 23. You can watch a recording of the full presentation on the H2Ohio website [here](https://h2.ohio.gov/h2ohio-fy23-annual-report-update/).

**Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Program**

The Ohio Department of Development (DOD) recently released [guidelines](https://development.ohio.gov/static/community/economicdevelopment/20231108-Water-and-Wastewater-Guidelines-FY24-FINAL.pdf) for the upcoming round of the Ohio BUILDS (Broadband, Utilities, and Infrastructure for Local Development Success) Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Grant Program. This new round of the [program](https://development.ohio.gov/community/economic-development/water-and-wastewater-infrastructure-grant) will provide grants over the course of the biennium to provide safe, reliable drinking water in areas that lack infrastructure, bring sewage treatment capacity to unsewered areas, and develop regional infrastructure to serve multiple communities. Grantees are eligible for up to $5 million in funding through the program. Since its inception in 2021, the Water and Wastewater Grant Program has provided nearly $500 million to support hundreds of local water projects in all of Ohio’s 88 counties. The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds were appropriated by the Ohio General Assembly and awarded through three rounds in October, November, and December 2021, and two rounds in June and July 2023. This new, sixth round of funding was made possible through continued support in the 2023 biennium budget bill, House Bill 33, which included more than $120 million to support water infrastructure projects. The application window with DOD opened on Nov. 28, 2023, and will remain open until Jan. 17, 2024.

**November 7th Ohio General Election Results**

On November 7th, Ohioans voted in the 2023 General Election and overwhelmingly approved two statewide issues on the ballot. According to the Secretary of State’s [results](https://liveresults.ohiosos.gov/), State [Issue 1](https://www.ohiosos.gov/globalassets/ballotboard/2023/the-right-to-reproductive-freedom-with-protections-for-health-and-safety.pdf), “A Self-Executing Amendment Relating to Abortion and Other Reproductive Decisions,” was approved by a 56.62-43.38% margin. State [Issue 2](https://www.ohiosos.gov/globalassets/ballotboard/2022/petitionfull-textandsummary.pdf), “To Commercialize, Regulate, Legalize, and Tax the Adult Use of Cannabis,” was approved by a 56.97-43.03% margin. More information on the issues, election results/statistics, or voting in Ohio can be found on the Secretary of State’s website [here](https://www.ohiosos.gov/elections/voters/).

**Leadership Updates**

State Senator Frank Hoagland (R-Mingo Junction) announced his resignation in mid-November effective on Dec. 1, 2023. Sen. Hoagland did not specify why he was retiring from his position, but said he “looks forward to spending time with his grandchild and family." The Senate will form a screening committee to appoint a new member for the 30th Senate District, which covers Athens, Belmont, Harrison, Jefferson, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Noble and Washington counties and part of Guernsey County.

Gov. DeWine also announced a few changes to his cabinet members in November. He announced the nomination of Steve Dackin to serve as the Director of the Department of Education and Workforce (DEW). Currently, Jessica Voltolini is serving as the interim director for the Department until Dackin is confirmed. Gov. DeWine also announced that Lori Criss will leave as Director of the Ohio Department of Mental Health & Addiction Services (OMHAS) to pursue a new career opportunity at The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center as Behavioral Health Community Engagement Director. Gov. DeWine has not nominated anyone to fill Criss’ role, whose last day with OMHAS is Dec. 1, 2023.

**Below is a list of legislation we are tracking on your behalf:**

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| **HB2** | **LEGISLATIVE INTENT-STATE FUNDING** (CUTRONA A, UPCHURCH T) To declare the intent of the General Assembly to direct state funds to projects across the state for economic growth and community development. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/16/2023 - Referred to Committee House Finance |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-2> |
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| **HB17** | **STATE EMPLOYEE TIKTOK BAN** (SCHMIDT J, SWEARINGEN D) To prohibit state officials, employees, and contractors from using TikTok, WeChat, or any other application or service owned by an entity located in China. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/21/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Financial Institutions and Technology |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-17> |
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| **HB23** | **TRANSPORTATION BUDGET** (EDWARDS J) To make appropriations for programs related to transportation for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of those programs. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/31/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 3/31/23 |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-23> |
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| **HB31** | **WORKERS' COMPENSATION BUDGET** (EDWARDS J) To make appropriations for the Bureau of Workers' Compensation for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025, to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of the Bureau's programs, to make changes to the Workers' Compensation Law, and to enact a three-day interim budget. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/30/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. immediately |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-31> |
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| **HB32** | **INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION BUDGET** (EDWARDS J) To make appropriations for the Industrial Commission for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of Commission programs. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/30/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. immediately |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-32> |
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| **HB33** | **FY24-25 OPERATING BUDGET** (EDWARDS J) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025, to levy taxes, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 7/3/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. immediately |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-33> |
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| **HB41** | **UTILITY BILLING TRANSPARENCY** (SKINDELL M) To enact "The Consumer Utility Billing Transparency Act" requiring the itemization of all riders, taxes, and other costs on certain utility bills. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/16/2023 - Referred to Committee House Public Utilities |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-41> |
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| **HB64** | **EMINENT DOMAIN LAW CHANGES** (KICK D, CREECH R) To modify the law regarding eminent domain. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/23/2023 - House Civil Justice, (Fourth Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-64> |
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| **HB93** | **LIMITATIONS ON RECOVERY, LIEN IMPOSITION** (JOHNSON M, MCCLAIN R) Regarding limitations on recovery and lien imposition by municipalities against property owners of non-owner-occupied properties for unpaid water, sewer, and disposal services rates and charges. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/27/2023 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, House State and Local Government, (Fifth Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-93> |
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| **HB94** | **RETIREMENT SERVICE CREDIT** (CLICK G, WILLIS B) Regarding transfers or purchases of certain retirement service credit. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/3/2023 - House Pensions, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-94> |
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| **HB96** | **INCREASE MINIMUM WAGE** (JARRELLS D, MOHAMED I) To increase the state minimum wage. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/14/2023 - Referred to Committee House Commerce and Labor |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-96> |
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| **HB101** | **VILLAGE DISSOLUTION** (BIRD A, SCHMIDT J) To modify the laws regarding village dissolution, the F-9 liquor permit, a special lodging tax, and reporting election results to the Supreme Court, to increase the amount of the threshold for village competitive bidding, and to require the Geauga County prosecuting attorney to prosecute violations of state law arising within the unincorporated areas of Geauga County. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/15/2023 - Re-Referred to Committee |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-101> |
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| **HB105** | **MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX RETURNS EXTENSIONS** (THOMAS J) To modify the law regarding extensions for filing municipal income tax returns and to limit penalties for late filings. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/31/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-105> |
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| **HB106** | **PAY STUB PROTECTION ACT** (JARRELLS D, LIPPS S) To enact the Pay Stub Protection Act requiring employers to provide earnings and deductions statements to each of the employer's employees. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/26/2023 - Senate Small Business and Economic Opportunity, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-106> |
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| **HB115** | **EQUAL PAY ACT** (MIRANDA J, BRENT J) To address wage disparities in public and private employment and to name this act the Ohio Equal Pay Act. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/22/2023 - Referred to Committee House Commerce and Labor |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-115> |
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| **HB116** | **TAXPAYER DEDUCTIONS** (PETERSON B, CLAGGETT T) To allow taxpayers to deduct in a single year the full bonus depreciation and enhanced expensing allowances the taxpayer deducts for federal income tax purposes. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/2/2023 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Ways and Means, (Fourth Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-116> |
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| **HB121** | **REMOTE WORKERS - MODIFIED MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX** (ROBB BLASDEL M, MATHEWS A) To allow businesses with remote workers to use a modified municipal income tax apportionment formula. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/21/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-121> |
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| **HB126** | **TAX EXEMPTION - MILITARY PAY** (MATHEWS A, MILLER A) To expand a municipal income tax exemption for military pay. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/23/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-126> |
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| **HB134** | **REQUIRE NOTICE TO LIENHOLDERS** (DELL'AQUILA R, GALONSKI T) To require notice to lienholders in tax certificate sales. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/18/2023 - House Ways and Means, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-134> |
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| **HB153** | **ABANDONED LAND - FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS** (HILLYER B) To limit which abandoned land may be subject to certain expedited foreclosure proceedings. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/31/2023 - House State and Local Government, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-153> |
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| **HB181** | **RECORDED INSTRUMENTS, POWERS OF ATTORNEY** (HILLYER B, WILLIAMS J) To make various changes regarding recorded instruments, powers of attorney, judgment liens, mortgage subrogation, law enforcement towing laws, and state stock banks, and to make an appropriation. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/11/2023 - House Finance, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-181> |
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| **HB187** | **PROCEDURES FOR PROPERTY TAX VALUES** (HALL T, BIRD A) To modify the procedures used to value real property for tax purposes and to abate property taxes on certain municipal and community improvement corporation property. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/28/2023 - Senate Ways and Means, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-187> |
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| **HB193** | **BIOSOLID LAGOONS, BIODIGESTION FACILITIES** (MILLER K, LAMPTON B) To establish procedures and requirements governing biosolid lagoons and biodigestion facilities, including granting county and township zoning authority over those lagoons and facilities, and to modify the CAUV eligibility requirements for certain land used to produce biofuels. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/31/2023 - House Agriculture, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-193> |
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| **HB197** | **SOLAR PROGRAMS** (HOOPS J, RAY S) To establish the community solar pilot program and the solar development program. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/20/2023 - House Public Utilities, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-197> |
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| **HB199** | **PERSONAL INCOME TAX JOINT FILER CREDIT** (YOUNG T, DEAN B) To modify the computation of the personal income tax joint filer credit. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/19/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Fifth Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-199> |
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| **HB200** | **PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXES** (CALLENDER J, YOUNG T) To modify the income tax treatment of income subject to other states' pass-through entity taxes. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/27/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-200> |
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| **HB203** | **TIMELY PAY OF CONTRACTORS** (ROEMER B, SWEENEY B) To require owners of private construction projects to timely pay contractors. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/10/2023 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Commerce and Labor, (Fifth Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-203> |
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| **HB211** | **PUBLIC COMMENT REQUIREMENTS** (GROSS J) To name this act the Free to Speak Act and to require a public body to permit members of the public to comment or testify about matters of public concern before the public body at its public meeting. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/20/2023 - Referred to Committee House State and Local Government |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-211> |
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| **HB212** | **PROHIBIT FOREIGN ADVERSARIES FROM OWNING REAL PROPERTY** (KING A, KLOPFENSTEIN R) To prohibit foreign adversaries and certain businesses from owning real property in Ohio and to name this act the Ohio Property Protection Act. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/20/2023 - Referred to Committee House Civil Justice |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-212> |
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| **HB226** | **CUSTOMER-OWNED WATER SERVICE LINES** (ROBB BLASDEL M, JARRELLS D) To permit water-works companies to bear the costs for replacing certain customer-owned water service lines. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/12/2023 - Referred to Committee House Public Utilities |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-226> |
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| **HB237** | **LAW CHANGES-VEHICLE TYPES** (MILLER K, PLUMMER P) To make changes to the laws governing all-purpose vehicles, off-highway motorcycles, snowmobiles, utility vehicles, and mini-trucks. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/25/2023 - House Homeland Security, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-237> |
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| **HB254** | **HOMESTEAD TAX EXEMPTION - DISABLED VETERANS** (RICHARDSON T, HOLMES A) To expand and enhance the homestead property tax exemption for disabled veterans. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 12/5/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-254> |
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| **HB257** | **VIRTUAL MEETINGS FOR PUBLIC BODIES** (HOOPS J, CLAGGETT T) To authorize certain public bodies to meet virtually. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/29/2023 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 74-3 |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-257> |
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| **HB263** | **PROPERTY TAX FREEZE** (ISAACSOHN D, HALL T) To authorize a property tax freeze for certain owner-occupied homes. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/28/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-263> |
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| **HB265** | **EXEMPTIONS FOR PUBLIC RECORDS LAW** (WIGGAM S, HALL T) To exempt redaction request forms, affidavits, and the records of the work schedules of designated public service workers from disclosure under public records law. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/28/2023 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Civil Justice, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-265> |
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| **HB280** | **LEAD TESTING** (THOMAS J, DEMETRIOU S) To revise the law governing lead testing, certification, and tax credits. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/31/2023 - House Ways and Means, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-280> |
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| **HB304** | **CREATE STATE, MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION** (HALL T, MILLER M) To create the State and Municipal Government Commission. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/24/2023 - Referred to Committee House State and Local Government |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-304> |
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| **HB319** | **CONSCIENTIOUS RIGHT TO REFUSE ACT** (GROSS J, WIGGAM S) To prohibit discrimination against an individual for the refusal of certain medical interventions for reasons of conscience, including religious convictions, and to name this act the Conscientious Right to Refuse Act. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/14/2023 - Referred to Committee House Health Provider Services |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-319> |
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| **HB327** | **REQUIRE CERTAIN CONTRACTORS TO USE E-VERIFY** (WIGGAM S, SWEARINGEN D) To require government contractors, private nonresidential contractors, and certain employers to use E-verify. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/14/2023 - Referred to Committee House Commerce and Labor |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-327> |
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| **HB331** | **VILLAGE DISSOLUTION** (MATHEWS A, YOUNG T) To modify the law regarding village dissolution. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/28/2023 - Referred to Committee House Government Oversight |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-331> |
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| **HCR4** | **TRAINS - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** (BIRD A, PLUMMER P) To urge the United States Congress to pass legislation requiring railroad companies and the U.S. Department of Transportation to inform local and state government officials when trains carrying potentially hazardous materials travel through their respective jurisdictions. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/14/2023 - House Government Oversight, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HCR-4> |
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| **HJR1** | **REQUIRE 60 PERCENT VOTE-CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT** (STEWART B) Proposing to amend Sections 1b, 1e, and 1g of Article II and Sections 1 and 3 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to require a vote of at least 60% of the electors to approve any constitutional amendment and to modify the procedures for an initiative petition proposing a constitutional amendment. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/19/2023 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Constitutional Resolutions, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HJR-1> |
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| **HR33** | **TRAINS - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** (ROBB BLASDEL M, MCNALLY L) To urge the United States Congress to pass legislation requiring railroad companies to inform local and state government officials when trains carrying potentially hazardous materials travel through their respective jurisdictions. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/23/2023 - **ADOPTED BY HOUSE**; Amended on Floor, Resolution Vote 94-1 |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HR-33> |
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| **HR108** | **URGE CONGRESS - CREATE INFRASTRUCTURE BANK** (GRIM M, BRENNAN S) To urge the United States Congress to create a National Infrastructure Bank to finance urgently needed infrastructure projects. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/25/2023 - Referred to Committee House Infrastructure |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HR-108> |
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| **SB3** | **COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION PROGRAM** (SCHURING K) To create the Ohio Community Revitalization Program, authorizing nonrefundable income tax credits for undertaking community projects. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 1/17/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-3> |
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| **SB10** | **INTERNAL REVENUE CODE CHANGES** (BLESSING III L) To amend section 5701.11 of the Revised Code and to amend Sections 225.12, 265.10, 265.20, and 701.10 of H.B. 45 of the 134th General Assembly to expressly incorporate changes in the Internal Revenue Code since February 17, 2022, into Ohio law, to make changes to the Emergency Rental Assistance program, to revise an existing earmark, to modify the requirements for a temporary arts economic relief grant program, and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/15/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. immediately |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-10> |
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| **SB23** | **PURCHASING AUTHORITY-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES** (LANG G) To expand political subdivision joint purchasing authority to expressly include purchases for construction services. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/19/2023 - **REPORTED OUT**, Senate Government Oversight, (Fourth Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-23> |
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| **SB47** | **LEAVE USE PROHIBITION-UNION ACTIVITIES** (HUFFMAN S) To prohibit a public employer from providing paid leave or compensation for a public employee to engage in certain union activities. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/8/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Judiciary |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-47> |
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| **SB85** | **SEWER DISCOUNTED RATE ELIGIBILITY** (INGRAM C) To expand eligibility for county sewer discounted rates or charges. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/28/2023 - Senate Local Government, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-85> |
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| **SB87** | **ELECTIONS-STATE LEGAL HOLIDAY** (SMITH K) To establish the day of each general election as a legal holiday for which government employees receive paid leave. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/23/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate General Government |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-87> |
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| **SB88** | **AGGRAVATED MENACING EXPANSION-UTILITIES** (SMITH K, CIRINO J) To expand the offense of aggravated menacing to prohibit threatening a utility worker, cable operator worker, or broadband worker with intent to obstruct the operation of a utility. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/9/2023 - Senate Judiciary, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-88> |
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| **SB91** | **PUBLIC FUNDS ABUSE, WASTE** (SCHAFFER T) Regarding fraud, waste, and abuse of public funds. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/14/2023 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, House Government Oversight, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-91> |
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| **SB94** | **STATE TREASURER, JUDICIAL PRACTICES** (BRENNER A, LANDIS A) To make various changes regarding the Treasurer of State, recorded instruments, powers of attorney, judgment liens, mortgage subrogation, law enforcement towing laws, and state stock banks, and to make an appropriation. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/23/2023 - **BILL AMENDED**, Senate Financial Institutions and Technology, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-94> |
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| **SB96** | **LABOR LAW NOTICES-POSTING** (LANG G, WILSON S) To allow employers to post certain labor law notices on the Internet. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/24/2023 - Referred to Committee House Commerce and Labor |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-96> |
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| **SB113** | **MSSS REQUIREMENT-PUBLIC OFFICE** (HOAGLAND F) To prohibit a person who fails to comply with the Military Selective Service System from holding a public office or employment with the state. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/24/2023 - Referred to Committee House Armed Services and Veterans Affairs |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-113> |
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| **SB116** | **UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION LAW CHANGES** (LANG G, ROMANCHUK M) To make changes to Ohio's Unemployment Compensation Law. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/7/2023 - Senate Insurance, (Third Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-116> |
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| **SB120** | **TIF PAYMENTS-LAND BANKS** (SCHURING K) To allow a portion of tax increment financing service payments to be designated for use by land banks. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/17/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-120> |
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| **SB123** | **PUBLIC UTILITY REGULATION EXEMPTIONS** (BRENNER A) To exempt from regulation as a public utility certain persons or entities providing utility related services after the metered point of delivery. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/20/2023 - Senate Energy and Public Utilities, (First Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-123> |
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| **SB156** | **LAW CHANGES-RIVER DESIGNATION** (REINEKE W, HACKETT R) To revise the law governing the designation of wild, scenic, and recreational rivers. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/14/2023 - Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-156> |
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| **SB158** | **MUNICIPAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENT** (CIRINO J) Regarding the disbursement of municipal funds by residents and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/10/2023 - House Government Oversight, (Second Hearing) |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-158> |
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| **SB185** | **PUBLIC SERVICE WORKERS-RECORDS EXEMPTION** (LANDIS A) To exempt redaction request forms, affidavits, and the records of the work schedules of designated public service workers from disclosure under public records law. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/15/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Government Oversight |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-185> |
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| **SJR2** | **CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE-60 PERCENT REQUIREMENT** (MCCOLLEY R, GAVARONE T) Proposing to amend Sections 1b, 1e, and 1g of Article II and Sections 1 and 3 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to require a vote of at least 60% of the electors to approve any constitutional amendment. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/10/2023 - Consideration of House Amendments; Senate Does Concur, Vote 26-7 |
|  | ***State Bill Page:*** | <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SJR-2> |
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