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State of the State Address

Gov. Mike DeWine delivered his annual State of the State Address before a joint session of the General Assembly on April 10. The speech was largely focused on children's initiatives, but also urged state policymakers act on his longstanding calls to ban flavored tobacco and intoxicating hemp, revise the state's recreational marijuana statute, and update traffic safety laws. Among the initiatives announced was the Childcare Choice Voucher Program, which will subsidize early education costs for families that make up to 200% of the federal poverty level. Gov. DeWine also encouraged local school officials to consider opening school-based health centers, potentially with state Student Wellness and Success funds from the operating budget. The remarks also detailed a new partnership among the Department of Medicaid, the state's Children's Hospitals, and Medicaid Managed Care plans aimed at helping children with conditions like asthma and sickle cell disease manage their afflictions so they can enjoy a better quality of life and miss fewer days of school. Other asks of the legislature included adding career planning to the state's high school graduation requirements and providing the funding necessary for every student who wants to take part in career-tech education to have that option.

Ohio General Assembly Updates

The Ohio House of Representatives recently welcomed a new member to the 135th General Assembly. House Republicans unanimously voted to seat Jack Daniels as the new 32nd District representative. Rep Daniels was appointed to fill the vacant seat left after ex-Rep. Bob Young resigned in the fall of 2023. He was most recently a Franklin City Council member and business owner. One of the businesses he's involved in and partially owns is Kandel Transport Inc., a fully licensed trucking company. During his first session, Rep. Daniels said his goal as a lawmaker is to make "singles and doubles" and said as a trucking company owner he's not averse to getting into the cab to make a delivery himself when needed, adding "I hope when I'm needed that I'll be called on to do hard work."

The House Democrats, however, will soon have to make a replacement in their own caucus following Rep. Jessica Miranda's (D-Forest Park) resignation. Rep. Miranda stepped down from her position after she was appointed Hamilton County auditor in mid-April. As the search for a replacement continues, the caucus selected Rep. Dani Isaacsohn (D-Cincinnati) to serve as Minority Whip for the Ohio House in former-Rep. Miranda's place.

Legislative Updates

HB 327 E - Verify (Rep. Wiggam)

House Bill 327 is legislation that would require the use of E-Verify by certain employers, including entities engaged in local or state public works commission projects.

The e-verify system exists to verify that the information on an employee's I-9 form is accurate, and that the individual is indeed eligible for work in the United States. HB 327 requires that certain employers use this system to verify that their employees are eligible to work. Those employers are:

- Contractors engaged in state or local public works construction projects;
- Non-residential construction workers;
- Any employer with 75 employees or more.

The bill has had three hearings in the House Commerce and Labor committee, chaired by Rep. Mark Johnson. We have reason to believe this bill is "fast-tracked" and may pass out of committee soon. We are actively engaged on this bill on behalf of CORD and will provide updates as they occur.

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

T) To create local jail facility funding programs and to make certain capital appropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2026.

Current Status: 4/10/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-2

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-



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

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

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

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: 1/24/2024 - Consideration of Governor's Veto; Senate

Overrides Veto, Vote 24-8

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-33

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: 4/24/2024 - House Public Utilities, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-41

HB64 EMINENT DOMAIN LAW CHANGES (KICK D, CREECH R) To modify the law regarding eminent domain.



Current Status: 2/6/2024 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, House Civil

Justice, (Fifth Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-64

HB93 LIMITATIONS ON RECOVERY, LIEN IMPOSITION (IOHNSON 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: 1/24/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate Local

Government

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-93

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

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

APPROPRIATIONS, STATE PROGRAM OPERATIONS (BIRD A) To make **HB101**

> appropriations and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs, and to amend the versions of sections 2950.11, 3301.53, and 3301.55 of the Revised Code that are scheduled to take effect January 1, 2025, to continue the provisions of this act on and after that effective date.

Current Status: 1/30/2024 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. Immediately State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-101

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-



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: 4/9/2024 - Senate Small Business and Economic

Opportunity, (Second Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-106

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

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

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

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

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-



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

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

HB187 PROCEDURES FOR PROPERTY TAX VALUES (HALL T, BIRD A) To make

changes to the law governing real property valuation and tax complaints, to temporarily modify the computation of the homestead exemption, to abate property taxes on certain municipal and community improvement corporation property, to make an appropriation, and to declare an emergency.

Current Status: 12/6/2023 - PASSED BY SENATE; Vote 31-0, Emergency

Clause 29-2

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-187

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

HB197 SOLAR PROGRAMS (HOOPS J, RAY S) To establish the community solar pilot

program and the solar development program.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - House Public Utilities, (Fifth Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-



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

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

HB203 TIMELY PAY OF CONTRACTORS (ROEMER B, SWEENEY B) To require owners

of private construction projects to timely pay contractors.

Current Status: 12/13/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Workforce

and Higher Education

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-203

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

HB212 PROPERTY PROTECTION ACT (KING A, KLOPFENSTEIN R) To extend the law that prohibits certain governments, businesses, and individuals from acquiring agricultural land to certain other property and to name this act the Ohio

Property Protection Act.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - House Civil Justice, (Second Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-212

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: 4/23/2024 - Senate Energy and Public Utilities, (First

Hearing)



State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-226

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

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

HB257 VIRTUAL MEETINGS FOR PUBLIC BODIES (HOOPS J, CLAGGETT T) To

authorize certain public bodies to meet virtually.

Current Status: 2/28/2024 - Senate Government Oversight, (First

Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-257

HB263 PROPERTY TAX FREEZE (ISAACSOHN D, HALL T) To authorize a property tax

freeze for certain owner-occupied homes.

Current Status: 2/6/2024 - SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED, House Ways

and Means, (Fourth Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-263

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: 4/9/2024 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, House Civil

Justice, (Fifth Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-265

HB280 LEAD TESTING (THOMAS J, DEMETRIOU S) To revise the law governing lead

testing, certification, and tax credits.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Ways and Means,

(Third Hearing)



State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-280

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

HB315 TOWNSHIP LAW CHANGES (HALL T, SEITZ B) To make various township law

changes and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - **BILL AMENDED**, House State and Local

Government, (Fourth Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-315

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: 4/9/2024 - House Health Provider Services, (First

Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-319

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: 4/23/2024 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Commerce and

Labor, (Third Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-327

HB331 VILLAGE DISSOLUTION (MATHEWS A, YOUNG T) To modify the law regarding

village dissolution.

Current Status: 4/16/2024 - House Government Oversight, (Third

Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-



HB349 NATURAL GAS PIPELINES (BARHORST T, JONES D) To authorize the creation of areas within which incentives are available to encourage the development of natural gas pipelines and other infrastructure and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 4/30/2024 - House Economic and Workforce

Development, (Third Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-349

HB370 STATE HIGHWAYS IN VILLAGES, CITIES (EDWARDS J) To clarify and amend the laws related to the Director of Transportation's responsibilities for state highways located in villages and cities.

Current Status: 4/9/2024 - House Transportation, (Second Hearing) *State Bill Page:* https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-370

BLOCKCHAIN BASICS ACT (DEMETRIOU S) To prohibit certain state and local government actions respecting digital asset mining, to exempt certain digital currency transactions from state and local income taxes, to prohibit local charges on digital assets, to require the state retirement systems to evaluate certain digital asset investments, and to name this act the Ohio Blockchain Basics Act.

Current Status: 4/2/2024 - Referred to Committee House Financial

Institutions

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-406

HB426 STORMWATER AWARENESS WEEK (PETERSON B, KLOPFENSTEIN R) To designate the first week of October as "Stormwater Awareness Week."

Current Status: 4/2/2024 - Referred to Committee House State and Local

Government

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-426

HB469 CREATE RIVER COMMISSION (ROBB BLASDEL M, JONES D) To create the Ohio River Commission of Ohio.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - Referred to Committee House Economic and

Workforce Development

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-



HB491 STATE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE DATABASE REQUIREMENTS

(YOUNG T, PETERSON B) To require a political subdivision or state retirement system to provide information on expenditures to the Treasurer of State for inclusion in the Ohio State and Local Government Expenditure Database.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - Referred to Committee House State and

Local Government

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-491

HB507 LEGAL SAFE HARBOR FOR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS (HILLYER B) To

extend legal safe harbor to political subdivisions that implement a specified

cybersecurity program.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - Introduced

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HB-507

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

HCR14 URGE CONGRESS - ENACT GREAT LAKES RESTORATION INITIATIVE

(PATTON T, SKINDELL M) To urge the United States Congress to enact the

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Act of 2024.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - House Government Oversight, (Second

Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-HCR-14

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-



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

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

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

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

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-



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

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

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

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

SB91 PUBLIC FUNDS ABUSE, WASTE (SCHAFFER T) Regarding fraud, waste, and abuse of public funds and to prohibit the expenditure of local tax revenues upon a vote of residents or without an appropriation.

Current Status: 12/28/2023 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-91

SB94 MORTGAGE, JUDICIAL PRACTICES, TOWING (BRENNER A, LANDIS A) 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: 4/23/2024 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, Senate Financial Institutions and Technology, (Fourth Hearing)



State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-94

SB96 LABOR LAW NOTICES-POSTING (LANG G, WILSON S) To allow employers to post certain labor law notices on the Internet.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - House Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing) *State Bill Page:* https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-96

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: 12/5/2023 - House Armed Services and Veterans Affairs,

(First Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-113

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

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

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

SB156 LAW CHANGES-RIVER DESIGNATION (REINEKE W, HACKETT R) To revise

the law governing the designation of wild, scenic, and recreational rivers.

Current Status: 5/1/2024 - House Energy and Natural Resources.

(Second Hearing)



State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-156

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

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: 1/24/2024 - Senate Government Oversight, (First

Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-185

SB226 EXTENDING PROPERTY PROTECTION LAWS (JOHNSON T) To extend the law

that prohibits certain governments, businesses, and individuals from acquiring agricultural land to certain other property and to name this act the Ohio

Property Protection Act.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - Senate Veterans and Public Safety, (Second

Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-226

SB227 CONSUMER UTILITY BILLING TRANSPARENCY (SMITH K) To enact "The

Consumer Utility Billing Transparency Act" requiring the itemization of all

riders, taxes, and other costs on certain utility bills.

Current Status: 2/28/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate Energy and

Public Utilities

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-227

SB235 DESIGNATE PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK (SYKES V, KUNZE S) To

designate the first full week in May "Public Service Recognition Week."

Current Status: 4/10/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate General

Government

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-



SB237 ENACT UNIFORM PUBLIC EXPRESSION PROTECTION ACT (GAVARONE T,

MANNING N) To enact the Uniform Public Expression Protection Act relating to legal actions concerning protected speech.

Current Status: 4/23/2024 - Senate Judiciary, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-237

SB243 INTENT TO ADDRESS ZONING REGULATIONS (REYNOLDS M, CRAIG H) To

declare the General Assembly's intent to enact legislation addressing local zoning regulations that impede the development of housing in this state.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate Select

Committee on Housing

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-243

SB244 PROPERTY TAX-RESIDENTIAL STABILITY ZONES (REYNOLDS M, CRAIG

H) To authorize local governments to create residential stability zones where homeowners may qualify for a partial property tax exemption.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and

Means

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-244

SB245 REVISE ORC HOUSING LAWS (REYNOLDS M, CRAIG H) To revise the law governing eviction, real estate representation agreements, residential building code enforcement, and real property transfers, and to amend the version of section 3781.10 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect January 1,

2025, to continue the changes after that date.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate Select

Committee on Housing

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-245

SB246 RENAME DEPARTMENT TO HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT (REYNOLDS M,

CRAIG H) To rename the Department of Development the Department of Housing and Development and to otherwise modify the law related to housing, and to amend the versions of sections 3742.32 and 5104.30 of the Revised Code that are scheduled to take effect January 1, 2025, to continue the changes after that date.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate General

Government

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-



SB249 ASSISTANCE GRANTS-HOUSING COSTS (REYNOLDS M, CRAIG H) To provide grants to qualifying applicants for mortgage, property tax, and utility bill assistance.

Current Status: 4/24/2024 - Referred to Committee Senate General

Government

State Bill Page: https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-

summary?id=GA135-SB-249

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-SIR-2

