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Week in Review

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As a service to the clients and friends of Governmental Policy Group, Inc. and RH Resources we would like to extend the following weekly update of events happening around Capitol Square.

AGRICULTURE

The law banning application of manure or fertilizer on frozen, snow-covered or saturated ground has driven some small farmers out of business, state officials and farmer advocates told lawmakers Tuesday. During a joint meeting of the Senate Agriculture Committee and House Agriculture and Rural Development Committee to discuss "Clean Lake Erie" bill 131-SB1 (Gardner-Peterson), Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODAg) Assistant Director Tim Derickson said dairy farmers in particular are having trouble in a number of areas, including complying with the law's restrictions.

FY18-19 BUDGET

With a month remaining in FY18, the state's revenue remains above estimates for the year by 2.1 percent, according to preliminary figures released Wednesday by the Office of Budget and Management (OBM). In fact, revenues for May were 2.9 percent over estimates, bringing in a total of nearly \$2.1 billion, nearly \$58 million over estimate. For the year-to-date, revenues have totaled

\$20.2 billion and are nearly \$418.7 million over estimates. Most of that additional revenue can be attributed to the personal income tax, which is \$401.9 million over estimates for FY18.

EDUCATION

An education workgroup, assigned with focusing the state's efforts to recruit and retain professionals who work with students with disabilities, will release guidance materials later this summer. The Related Services Personnel Workgroup's Roles and Responsibilities Subgroup met at the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) Monday to develop materials that will help superintendents and other school administrators understand the training and responsibilities of "related services" support staff, such as speech and language pathologists and social workers.

Innovation Ohio said Wednesday it has compiled and posted online a district-by-district accounting of state funding transferred to the now defunct Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow (ECOT). School district leaders appeared with the think tank's education policy leader, former Rep. Steve Dyer, to argue the online charter school complicated not just their finances, but their students' lives. About \$591 million was transferred from districts' state funding shares to ECOT from the 2012-2013 academic year through the middle of this school year, according to Innovation Ohio.

Student growth is possibly the most complex component to measure on Ohio's school report cards, but examining it remains vital to getting a complete picture of a school or district's academic success. The stakeholder workgroup looking at overhauling the report card now has the tricky responsibility of determining how it could be improved. The workgroup met Tuesday at the Ohio Department of Education to discuss the progress component of the report card.

ELECTIONS 2018

The DeWine-Husted campaign Monday announced new staff appointments: Brittany Warner will serve as the director of communications, overseeing strategic planning for delivering the campaign's message to voters through November. Warner most recently served as the campaign manager for Sen. Frank LaRose's (R-Copley) campaign for Ohio Secretary of State. Joshua Eck will serve as the campaign's press secretary and spokesman for Attorney General Mike DeWine and Secretary of State Jon Husted in their capacities as candidates for governor and lieutenant governor. In addition, Michael Hall will serve as policy director, working closely with the candidates and the communications team to develop policy initiatives for the future DeWine-Husted administration.

Following Brittany Warner's shift to the DeWine-Husted campaign, Sen. Frank LaRose (R-Copley) announced Monday that his new campaign director is Grant Shaffer.

Melanie Leneghan, a Liberty Township trustee who narrowly lost the Republican primary for the 12th Congressional District to Sen. Troy Balderson (R-Zanesville), has been granted a partial recount. She asked for recounts in certain precincts in Franklin, Muskingum, Licking and Delaware counties. The district itself spans seven counties.

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted Thursday certified the results of the 2018 Primary Election for State Issue 1 and the nominations of statewide candidates for the 2018 General Election.

Uhrichsville Law Director Brett Hillyer remains the Republican candidate for the 98th District election in November, the (New Philadelphia) Times-Reporter reports. A recount had been mandated

as the margin of victory was less than 0.5 percent of all votes cast, but the Tuscarawas County Board of Elections found that the previously certified results were correct. The district includes all of Tuscarawas County and part of Holmes County.

EMPLOYMENT/UNEMPLOYMENT

National unemployment fell to an 18-year low of 3.8 percent in May, with non-farm workers increasing by 223,000 across several industries including retail trade, health care and construction, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported Friday. Unemployment maintained the downward trend from April following a six-month plateau at 4.1 percent. The number of unemployed persons also continued to decline, falling to 6.1 million in May.

ENERGY

President Donald Trump ordered the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to take emergency measures Friday to halt the shutdown of coal- and nuclear-fired generating plants operated by FirstEnergy and other electric utilities, granting the Akron-based company's March request.

The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee took wide-ranging testimony Wednesday on the substitute version of HB114's (Blessing) rewrite of utility standards for renewable energy, energy efficiency and wind turbine setbacks. Those were the main topics of concern among proponents and interested parties, who had their first opportunity to address the substitute bill accepted on May 16.

FEDERAL

U.S. Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH), who served as U.S. trade representative under President George W. Bush, said Tuesday he does not support President Donald Trump's imposition of tariffs on Canadian steel but said he thinks they're a tactic to jumpstart negotiations on updates to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY/STATEHOUSE

It took 11 voting rounds and more than two hours, but the Ohio House eventually elected Rep. Ryan Smith (R-Gallipolis) to serve as speaker on Wednesday. Smith -- who was immediately sworn in on the floor by Ohio Supreme Court Justice Patrick Fischer -- won with a plurality of the vote over House Minority Leader Fred Strahorn (D-Dayton), Rep. Andy Thompson (R-Marietta) and Rep. Jim Hughes (R-Columbus). In the final round, Smith received 44 votes, Strahorn received 27, Thompson got 13 and Hughes got seven. The speaker's office had been vacant since April 12 following Cliff Rosenberger's (R-Clarksville) resignation amid an FBI inquiry.

In a formal statement Monday afternoon, Rep. Emilia Sykes (D-Akron) said there had been "a string of incidents" where she and other female black legislators were subjected to additional security measures on Capitol Square, calling them "profiling." The statement followed an incident May 30, she said, where a security official separate from the Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) stopped her in the Riffe Center despite her having presented her security access badge. Tweets by Sykes following that incident attracted national attention over the weekend.

The state would put new money and policies behind efforts to secure schools [HB318 (Patterson)] and curtail toxic algae in Lake Erie [SB299 (Gardner)] under legislation passed by the Senate on

Wednesday. The chamber also approved HB430 (Eklund) that could solve a tax policy dispute that triggered a gubernatorial veto. That bill was also amended to include an extension of the existing moratorium on licenses for fireworks manufacturers or wholesalers through 2019.

While JobsOhio is in the midst of a performance audit of its own volition, the Senate agreed Wednesday with Auditor Dave Yost's assertion that such audits should be required in law and that his office should have a say in how they are conducted. The Senate took the rare step of amending HB10 (Arndt) in the Rules and Reference Committee to attach the audit language, which originally set rules for intra-state crowdfunding. The bill later passed the full Senate unanimously.

Other bills that passed the Senate include HB506 (Hill) which sets new regulations for high volume dog breeders; SB182 (Coley), to generally allow restaurant owners to let dogs on their outdoor patios; SB263 (Huffman-Wilson), to standardize regulation of notaries and allowing electronic notarization; and SB296 (LaRose-Hottinger), to expand benefits available to surviving family members of fallen public safety officers.

The Ohio House squeezed more than two dozen votes into a three-hour session Thursday as it started to clear a backlog of bills that had piled up while majority Republicans fought over the speakership vacancy. Rep. Ryan Smith's (R-Bidwell) ascendance to the speaker's office Wednesday paved the way for Thursday's heavy calendar, where the chamber passed 17 bills, agreed to Senate changes on 11 more and insisted on its own version of drug sentencing proposal SB1 (LaRose), queuing up a conference committee. Bills passed during the session included payday lending reforms in HB123 (Koehler-Ashford); SB135 (LaRose), to provide funding for new voting machines; HB535 (Gavarone), regarding data on overdoses; HB456 (Sprague), barring hospitals from forcing nurses to work unscheduled overtime; HB407 (Dever-Seitz), abolishing estate by dower; HB297 (Hagan), regarding title transfers upon death, which passed unanimously; HB391 (Merrin), allowing inclusion of costs in restitution awards for economic loss, which passed unanimously; HB433 (Kelly-Brinkman), granting continuing education credit to veterinarians for performing free spay-neuter services, which passed unanimously; HB414 (Schaffer), designating July 16 as "National Atomic Veterans Day," which passed unanimously; HB464 (Lipps), regarding stroke treatment protocols and designation of stroke centers, which passed unanimously; HB491 (Edwards), regarding substitute licenses for certain pupil services personnel, which passed unanimously; HB315 (Arndt), designating Oct. 6 as SMART (Social Media Awareness, Respect and Timing) Parent Day, which passed unanimously; HB411 (Seitz-Sykes), expanding instances in which people can be compensated for wrongful imprisonment, which passed 75-9; HR298 (Hill), recognizing distinctions between alfalfa products, which passed unanimously; SB139 (Skindell-Eklund), adopting the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act, which passed unanimously; SB163 (Wilson), regarding investment of county funds, which passed unanimously; SCR15 (O'Brien-Wilson), designating 2018 as "Ohio's Year of the Trails," which passed unanimously. The chamber also concurred with Senate amendments to HB292 (Scherer), regarding the residency test for income taxes; HB225 (Thompson), regarding orphan wells; HB8 (Hambley-Rezabek), exempting from public records certain information about minors involved in school vehicle crashes, for which the concurrence vote was unanimous; HB21 (Hambley), moving enrollment verification duties to charter schools, for which the concurrence vote was unanimous; HB133 (Ryan), exempting out-of-state disaster response workers from some taxes and laws, for which the concurrence vote was unanimous; HB159 (Riedel), designating May as "Drive Ohio Byways Month," for which the concurrence vote was 82-3; HB229 (Romanchuk-Wiggam), designating Feb. 3 as "Charles Follis Day," for which the concurrence vote was unanimous; HB332 (Antani), barring discrimination based on disability in organ transplant decisions, for which the concurrence vote was unanimous; HB366 (Gavarone), changing child

support laws, for which the concurrence vote was unanimous; HB438 (Hambley-Kick), regarding educational service center governance, for which the concurrence vote was 70-14; HB430 (Schaffer), regarding the sales tax exemption for oil and gas production equipment, for which the concurrence vote was 71-13.

In an unprecedented move, the Ohio House Democratic Caucus voted to remove Rep. Bernadine Kennedy Kent (D-Columbus) as a member of their caucus, according to a report in the *Columbus Dispatch*.

GOVERNOR

In a *Boston Globe* column published Tuesday, Gov. John Kasich excoriated Russian government actions both domestic and international, calling the Kremlin "politically brittle and vulnerable" and its leadership "corrupt and incompetent." In addition to providing a long list of economic statistics and domestic failings, Kasich called out specific international actions taken by a Russian government he characterized as aggressive.

Appointments made during the week include the following:

- Deborah Givens Crockett of Columbus (Franklin County), Pastor Mark D. Ford of Akron (Summit County) and Rabbi Avraham Louis Goldstein of Columbus (Franklin County) reappointed to the Advisory Board of the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives for terms beginning May 31, 2018 and ending May 4, 2019.
- J. Kevin Cogan of Dublin (Franklin County) reappointed to the Ohio Lake Erie Commission for a term beginning May 31, 2018 and ending Sept. 9, 2020.
- Donna C. Alexander of Canton (Stark County) reappointed to the Board of Executives of Long-term Services and Supports for a term beginning May 31, 2018 and ending May 27, 2021.
- Patricia Ann Krebs of Powell (Delaware County) to the Board of Executives of Long-term Services and Supports for a term beginning May 31, 2018 and ending May 27, 2021.
- Gary R. Heminger of Findlay (Hancock County) and Elizabeth P. Kessler of New Albany (Franklin County) to the Ohio State University Board of Trustees for terms beginning June 11, 2018 and ending May 13, 2027.
- Janice M. Bonsu of Pickerington (Franklin County) the Ohio State University Board of Trustees for a term beginning June 1, 2018 and ending May 13, 2020.
- Robin S. Engel of Cincinnati (Hamilton County) to the Ohio Collaborative Community-Police Advisory Board for a term beginning June 1, 2018 and ending April 29, 2021.
- Susannah Wayland of Columbus (Franklin County) and Christine Dobrovich of Delaware (Delaware County) to the Early Intervention Services Advisory Council for terms beginning June 6, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019.
- Elizabeth Simms Gutmann of Piqua (Miami County) to the Edison State Community College Board of Trustees for a term beginning June 6, 2018 and ending Jan. 17, 2019.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The 123-member Mental Health and Addiction Advocacy Coalition submitted three recommendations to make the July 1 transition of behavioral health treatment services to managed care smoother -- "should there be no delay" -- in a Monday letter to the Joint Medicaid Oversight Committee (JMOC). The suggestions include parallel billing, maintaining the same claims adjudication timeframe as currently and identifying a contingency plan including receiving "the

advance payment while beginning to bill." If these steps aren't put into place, the coalition warned of agency layoffs and closures.

The Ohio Hospital Association (OHA) presented a number of awards this week during annual gatherings. U.S. Reps. Steve Stivers (R-Hilliard) and Joyce Beatty (D-Columbus) were featured presenters during the advocacy luncheon.

IMMIGRATION

Opponents of Trump administration immigration policies gathered outside the Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio in Columbus Friday as a part of the American Civil Liberties Union's (ACLU) "KeepFamiliesTogether" day of advocacy. Similar protests took place outside other U.S. attorney's offices nationwide. Robin Wright, an event organizer and policy manager at ACLU-Ohio, told *Hannah News* that policy changes made at the national level under the direction of U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions have separated asylum-seeking mothers from their children while their claims for asylum are being processed. Many of those families are fleeing violence in Central America, she said.

JUDICIAL

The Ohio Supreme Court will accept public comment until Thursday, July 5 on a proposed rule that would require appellate court cases to be randomly assigned to judges of that court. The new rule resembles Sup. R. 36.011, which addresses trial courts only. Since that rule doesn't address how cases are assigned in appellate courts, the Advisory Committee on Case Management recommended a specific rule to address how those cases are assigned.

Political subdivisions have immunity from damage claims for obstructed traffic signs and signals unless the foliage is actually touching the traffic control device, the Supreme Court of Ohio ruled Tuesday in a decision opposed by Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor.

The Ohio Supreme Court announced changes to the Rules of Superintendence for the Courts of Ohio Thursday to avoid delays in the implementation of local court technology rules. Under Rule 27 of the Rules of Superintendence, before adopting any local rule concerning information technology, courts had to file a copy of the proposed rule with the Supreme Court's Commission on Technology and the Courts (CTC). CTC then would have to approve the rule before it could take effect.

LOBBYISTS

Lori Kershner, president and CEO of LMK Advocacy, announced that Averel Meden has joined their government affairs team.

MARIJUANA

The Ohio Board of Pharmacy (OBP) on Monday issued 56 provisional licenses to companies seeking to dispense medical marijuana in the state. While the board is allowed under its administrative rules to award up to 60 licenses, members only approved 56 because three districts -- authorized to contain a total of four dispensaries -- either did not receive any applications or did not have a viable applicant. All of the 56 provisional licenses were approved by unanimous votes of the board, and there was little discussion from OBP members.

The Medical Marijuana Control Program (MMCP) is "unlikely" to be fully operational by the Saturday, Sept. 8 deadline set in 131-HB523 (Huffman), Ohio Department of Commerce (DOC) spokesperson Stephanie Gostomski told *Hannah News* Tuesday. The department had been optimistic that one large (level one) cultivator and two smaller (level two) cultivators would receive certificates of operation in May, but that didn't work out as planned, she said. The level one cultivator did not pass its initial inspection and the department is uncertain as to when the business will receive a certificate of operation. Neither of the smaller cultivators has been inspected yet, as one suffered a construction delay and the other has been dealing with local government issues, Gostomski said.

It's only a matter of time until adults in Ohio have full legal access to marijuana for personal use, pot entrepreneur Ian James said Tuesday. "It is inevitable that marijuana is going to be legalized in this country. It is coming," James told reporters during a wide-ranging conversation at his home in Columbus. The founder and president of Green Light Acquisitions (GLA) discussed, among other topics, the status of his organization's "Fair Market Amendment" legalizing marijuana for adults 21 and older; the resurrection of the "Fresh Start Act" initiated statute; and the decision of GLA business partner Jimmy Gould, who separately runs CannAscend Ohio, not to appeal Franklin County Common Pleas Court Judge Kim Brown's decision in his lawsuit against the Ohio Department of Commerce (DOC).

Ohio patients who are unable or unwilling to wait for marijuana to become available under the Buckeye State's medical program might be able to legally possess and use cannabis across state lines in the near future, Ohio Board of Pharmacy (OBP) officials said Thursday.

MEDICAID/MEDICAID REFORM

With the June 14 deadline nearing for the submission of public comments to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on the Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) 1115 demonstration waiver, "Group VIII Work Requirement and Community Engagement 1115 Demonstration Waiver," a group of health care advocates Tuesday released an overview of the nearly 650 comments submitted so far. Of those comments, 560 were submitted through a survey created by UHCAN Ohio, which will send the comments to CMS, while 85 comments have been submitted through the CMS website.

POLITICS

The Ohio Democratic Party's newly elected executive committee Tuesday voted unanimously to re-elect Chairman David Pepper to a new four-year term leading the state party.

POLLS/STUDIES

The Center for Community Solutions (CCS) surveys the history of institutionalization and provides an overview of mentally ill individuals' engagement with the criminal justice system in part one of its most recent report titled "By the Numbers 4: Developing a Common Understanding for the Future of Behavioral Health Care, Landscape and Analysis of the Intersection between the Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice Systems."

POVERTY

For the fourth consecutive week, poor people, clergy and advocates returned to the Statehouse as part of the Poor People's Campaign. This week the group demanded lawmakers ensure everyone in Ohio has the right to health care and a healthy environment. To make their point, members of the campaign staged a "die in" on the steps of the Statehouse.

A bill recently introduced by Rep. Scott Wiggam (R-Wooster), HB608, would tighten work requirement restrictions imposed by the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) by placing heavier requirements on childless, able-bodied individuals to find work or participate in a state-established training or volunteer program. Providing sponsor testimony before the House Community and Family Advancement Committee Wednesday, Wiggam said the goal is to encourage those who can work to seek work and to focus benefits on those who need them.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Ohio small employers can now sign up for a new program that provides an option for lowering their workers' compensation premiums and increasing worker health and safety, the Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) announced. The new program is the Policy Activity Rebate (PAR).

LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY:

SENATE:

PASSED BY SENATE

- HB10 INTRASTATE EQUITY CROWDFUNDING (Rep. Steve Arndt) To permit intrastate equity crowdfunding under certain circumstances.
Vote 33-0
- HB318 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS-SCHOOL SECURITY (Rep. John Patterson) With regard to school resource officers, to require the Facilities Construction Commission to study and report on school building security upgrades, and to make an appropriation.
Vote 33-0
- HB430 SALES TAX EXEMPTION-OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION (Rep. Tim Schaffer) To expand the scope of a sales and use tax exemption for certain kinds of property used in the production of oil and gas.
Vote 32-1
- HB506 HIGH VOLUME DOG BREEDING (Rep. Brian Hill) To revise the law governing high volume dog breeders and other dog-related professionals and facilities.
Vote 32-1
- SB182 OUTDOOR DINING-DOGS (Sen. William Coley) To generally allow an owner, keeper, or harbinger of a dog to take the dog in an outdoor dining area of a retail food establishment or food service operation.
Vote 33-0
- SB263 NOTARY PUBLIC MODERNIZATION ACT (Sen. Matt Huffman, Sen. Steve Wilson) To enact the Notary Public Modernization Act.
Vote 33-0

SB296 OFFICER DEATH BENEFIT FUND REVISIONS (Sen. Frank LaRose, Sen. Jay Hottinger) To revise the payments that surviving family members receive from the Ohio Public Safety Officers Death Benefit Fund and to permit surviving spouses and children to participate in the health, dental, and vision benefits offered to state employees as if the survivors were employees of this state.

Vote 33-0

SB299 LAKE ERIE PROTECTION APPROPRIATIONS (Sen. Randy Gardner) To allow equipment for the protection and preservation of Lake Erie to be purchased with proceeds from the Parks and Recreation Improvement Fund, and to appropriate funds for projects enhancing water quality in the Western Lake Erie Basin.

Vote 33-0

HOUSE:

PASSED BY HOUSE

HB123 MODIFY LOAN LAWS (Rep. Kyle Koehler, Rep. Michael Ashford) To modify the Short-Term Loan Act, to specify a minimum duration requirement for loans made under the Small Loan Law and Mortgage Loan Law, and to limit the authority of credit services organizations to broker extensions of credit for buyers.

Vote 71-17

HB297 TITLE TRANSFER UPON DEATH (Rep. Christina Hagan) To allow owners of a motor vehicle, watercraft, or outboard motor who have joint ownership with right of survivorship to transfer title through a transfer-on-death designation.

Vote 88-0

HB315 DAY DESIGNATION- SMART PARENT DAY (Rep. Steve Arndt) To designate October 6 as "S.M.A.R.T. Parent Day."

Vote 88-0

HB391 RESTITUTION-COST OF ACCOUNTING (Rep. Derek Merrin) To include the cost of accounting done to determine the extent of economic loss as a type of economic loss for which restitution may be granted.

Vote 88-0

HB407 ABOLISH ESTATE BY DOWER (Rep. Jonathan Dever, Rep. Bill Seitz) To abolish the estate by dower.

Vote 87-1

HB411 WRONGFUL IMPRISONMENT LAW (Rep. Bill Seitz, Rep. Emilia Sykes) To modify the state's wrongful imprisonment law.

Vote 77-11

HB414 DAY DESIGNATION-ATOMIC VETERANS (Rep. Tim Schaffer) To designate July 16 as "National Atomic Veterans Day" in Ohio.

Vote 88-0

HB433 SPAYING & NEUTERING CREDITS (Rep. Brigid Kelly, Rep. Tom Brinkman) To allow a licensed veterinarian to receive up to two continuing education credits per biennium for performing free spaying and neutering services.

Vote 88-0

- HB456 OVERTIME REQUIREMENT-NURSING (Rep. Robert Sprague) To prohibit a hospital from requiring a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to work overtime as a condition of continued employment.
Vote 77-11
- HB464 STROKE CENTERS AND TREATMENT PROTOCOL (Rep. Scott Lipps) To provide for recognition of stroke centers and establishment of protocols for assessment, treatment, and transport to hospitals of stroke patients.
Vote 87-1
- HB491 SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS-SPECIFIED SERVICES (Rep. Jay Edwards) To require the State Board of Education to issue a substitute license to specified pupil services personnel.
Vote 86-2
- HB535 NALOXONE-NALTREXONE DATA REPORTING (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To require certain reports regarding overdoses and naloxone, to include naltrexone within the Ohio Automated Rx Reporting System, and to name this act the "Opioid Data and Communication Expansion Act."
Vote 88-0
- SB135 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION-VOTING PROGRAM (Sen. Frank LaRose) To make supplemental operating appropriations for the FY 2018-FY 2019 biennium and supplemental capital appropriations for the FY 2017-FY 2018 biennium to implement a voting machine and equipment acquisition program.
Vote 87-0
- SB139 UNIFORM ELECTRONIC LEGAL MATERIAL (Sen. Michael Skindell, Sen. John Eklund) To adopt the Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act.
Vote 88-0
- SB163 COUNTY INVESTMENT NOTE QUALIFICATIONS (Sen. Steve Wilson) To modify the qualifications regarding notes eligible for investment of county inactive moneys.
Vote 87-1

CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

- HB8 PUBLIC RECORDS-MINORS (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Jeffrey Rezabek) To exempt from the Public Records Law certain information concerning a minor that is included in a record related to a traffic accident involving a school vehicle in which the minor was an occupant at the time of the accident.
House Does Concur, Vote 88-0
- HB21 COMMUNITY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION (Rep. Steve Hambley) Regarding verification of community school enrollments and community school sponsor contract specifications; regarding state assessment and graduation requirements for certain chartered nonpublic schools; eliminating the Education Management Information System (EMIS) Advisory Board in favor of a new EMIS Advisory Council; to make other education policy changes.
House Does Concur, Vote 87-0

- HB133 DISASTER RELIEF ACT (Rep. Scott Ryan) To create the Disaster Relief Act to exempt out-of-state disaster businesses and qualifying out-of-state employees from certain taxes and laws with respect to disaster work on critical infrastructure performed in this state during a declared disaster.
House Does Concur, Vote 87-0
- HB159 MONTH DESIGNATION-DRIVE OHIO BYWAYS (Rep. Craig Riedel) To designate May as "Drive Ohio Byways Month."
House Does Concur, Vote 84-3
- HB225 ABANDONED WELL REGULATION (Rep. Andrew Thompson) To allow a landowner to report an idle and orphaned well or abandoned well, to require the Chief of the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management to inspect and classify such a well, to require the Chief to begin plugging a well classified as distressed-high priority within a specified time period, and to authorize an income tax deduction for reimbursements paid by the state to a landowner for costs incurred to plug an idle or orphaned well.
House Does Concur, Vote 58-30
- HB229 DAY DESIGNATION-CHARLES FOLLIS (Rep. Mark Romanchuk, Rep. Scott Wiggam) To designate February 3 as "Charles Follis Day."
House Does Concur, Vote 87-0
- HB292 STATE OF RESIDENCE TEST (Rep. Gary Scherer) To modify the test for determining an individual's state of residence for income tax purposes; to make various tax policy changes.
House Does Concur, Vote 87-1; Emergency Clause, Vote 84-2
- HB332 TRANSPLANTS-DISABLED PERSONS (Rep. Niraj Antani) Regarding anatomical gifts, transplantation, and discrimination on the basis of disability and to make an appropriation.
House Does Concur, Vote 88-0
- HB366 CHILD SUPPORT LAW (Rep. Theresa Gavarone) To make changes to the laws governing child support.
House Does Concur, Vote 86-0
- HB430 SALES TAX EXEMPTION-OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION (Rep. Tim Schaffer) To expand the scope of a sales and use tax exemption for certain kinds of property used in the production of oil and gas.
House Does Concur, Vote 73-13
- HB438 ESC ANNEXATION (Rep. Steve Hambley, Rep. Darrell Kick) To permit the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards and to permit a local school district to sever its territory from one educational service center and annex that territory to an adjacent service center under specified conditions; and to modify provisions for community school grants by requiring at least three rounds of funding and specifically permitting participants to receive additional funding.
House Does Concur, Vote 72-15

ADOPTED BY HOUSE

HR298 RECOGNIZE ALFALFA PRODUCTS (Rep. Robert Sprague, Rep. Brian Hill) To recognize the existence of two alfalfa products in light of the recent action of the Ingredient Definition Committee of the Association of American Feed Control Officials.

Vote 87-0

SCR15 YEAR DESIGNATION-TRAILS (Sen. Sean O'Brien, Sen. Steve Wilson) To designate 2018 as "Ohio's Year of the Trails."

Vote 87-0