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HB34 **JURY DUTY - BREAST-FEEDING EXCEPTION** (KLOPFENSTEIN R, KING A) To permit a prospective juror who is a mother who is breast-feeding to be excused from jury service.

Current Status: 6/27/2023 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 95-0

Recent Status: 6/27/2023 - Bills for Third Consideration

3/14/2023 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Civil Justice, (Fourth Hearing)

Categories: Justice & the Courts

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-34>

HB8 **PARENTAL NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS** (SWEARINGEN D, CARRUTHERS S) To enact the "Parents' Bill of Rights" to require public schools to adopt a policy on parental notification on student health and well-being and instructional materials with sexuality content.

Current Status: 6/21/2023 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 65-29

Recent Status: 6/21/2023 - Bills for Third Consideration

6/14/2023 - Informally Passed

Categories: Children and Family Issues, Education

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-8>

HB68 **GENDER SERVICES FOR MINORS, SINGLE-SEX SPORTS TEAMS** (CLICK G) To enact the Saving Ohio Adolescents from Experimentation (SAFE) Act regarding gender transition services for minors, and to enact the Save Women's Sports Act to require schools, state institutions of higher education, and private colleges to designate separate single-sex teams and sports for each sex.

Current Status: 6/21/2023 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 64-28

Recent Status: 6/21/2023 - Bills for Third Consideration

6/14/2023 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED & REPORTED OUT**, House Public Health Policy, (Fourth Hearing)

Categories: Arts, Sports & Entertainment, Education, Health Care

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-68>

SB49 **K-12 RELIGIOUS ACCOMODATIONS POLICY** (REYNOLDS M) To enact the Religious Expression Days "R.E.D." Act to require each kindergarten through 12 public school to adopt a policy providing students, teachers, and staff with religious accommodations.



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Current Status: 6/6/2023 - House Primary and Secondary Education, (First Hearing)

Recent Status: 5/2/2023 - Referred to Committee House Primary and Secondary Education
4/26/2023 - **PASSED BY SENATE**; Vote 32-0

Categories: Education, Religion

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-49>

SB9 **LAW CHANGES-MEDICAL MARIJUANA** (HUFFMAN S, SCHURING K) To amend the law related to medical marijuana.

Current Status: 5/16/2023 - Senate General Government, (Seventh Hearing)

Recent Status: 5/10/2023 - Senate General Government, (Sixth Hearing)
4/18/2023 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, Senate General Government, (Fifth Hearing)

Categories: Health Care, State Government, Tobacco/Marijuana

Position: Oppose

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-9>

HB6 **SINGLE-SEX TEAMS REQUIREMENT** (POWELL J) To enact the Save Women's Sports Act to require schools, state institutions of higher education, and private colleges to designate separate single-sex teams and sports for each sex.

Current Status: 5/10/2023 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Higher Education, (Fifth Hearing)

Recent Status: 4/26/2023 - House Higher Education, (Fourth Hearing)
4/19/2023 - House Higher Education, (Third Hearing)

Categories: Arts, Sports & Entertainment, Education

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-6>

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.



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Current Status: 5/10/2023 - Consideration of House Amendments; Senate Does Concur, Vote 26-7

Recent Status: 5/10/2023 - **ADOPTED BY HOUSE**; Amended on Floor, Resolution Vote 62-37
5/10/2023 - Bills for Third Consideration

Categories: Campaigns & Elections, Constitutional Amendments

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SJR-2>

SB1 **REFORM OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (REINEKE W)** To rename the Department of Education as the Department of Education and Workforce; to create the position of Director of Education and Workforce; and to reform the functions and responsibilities of the State Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Current Status: 5/9/2023 - House Economic and Workforce Development, (Fourth Hearing)

Recent Status: 4/25/2023 - House Economic and Workforce Development, (Third Hearing)
3/28/2023 - House Economic and Workforce Development, (Second Hearing)

Categories: Economic & Workforce Development, Education

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-1>

SB92 **AUGUST SPECIAL ELECTION, APPROPRIATION (MCCOLLEY R, GAVARONE T)** To allow a special election to be held in August for certain purposes, to require a special election to be held on August 8, 2023, and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 5/3/2023 - House Government Oversight, (Third Hearing)

Recent Status: 5/2/2023 - House Government Oversight, (Third Hearing)
4/27/2023 - House Government Oversight, (Second Hearing)

Categories: Budget and Appropriations, Campaigns & Elections

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-92>

HB11 **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CHANGES (MCCLAIN R, JOHN M)** To establish the Backpack Scholarship Program to begin operating for the 2023-2024 school year, to repeal the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and the Pilot Project Scholarship Program on July 1, 2024, and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 4/25/2023 - House Primary and Secondary Education, (Third Hearing)



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Recent Status: 3/14/2023 - House Primary and Secondary Education, (Second Hearing)
2/28/2023 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Primary and Secondary Education, (First Hearing)

Categories: Education

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-11>

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)

Recent Status: 4/18/2023 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Constitutional Resolutions, (Second Hearing)
3/22/2023 - House Constitutional Resolutions, (First Hearing)

Categories: Constitutional Amendments

Position: Support

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HJR-1>

HB12

REFORM OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (JONES D, DOBOS D) To rename the Department of Education as the Department of Education and Workforce; to create the position of Director of Education and Workforce; and to reform the functions and responsibilities of the State Board of Education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Current Status: 4/18/2023 - House Primary and Secondary Education, (Fifth Hearing)



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Recent Status: 3/21/2023 - House Primary and Secondary Education, (Fourth Hearing)
3/7/2023 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Primary and Secondary Education, (Third Hearing)
Categories: Education, State Government
Position: Support
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-12>

SB66 **TRANSFER STUDENT RECORDS DEADLINE (INGRAM C)** To require public and private schools to transmit a transferred student's records within five school days.
Current Status: 3/28/2023 - Senate Education, (Second Hearing)
Recent Status: 3/7/2023 - Senate Education, (First Hearing)
2/22/2023 - Referred to Committee Senate Education
Categories: Education
Position: Oppose Unless Amended
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-66>

SB11 **PARENT EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM ACT (O'BRIEN S)** To enact the Parent Educational Freedom Act to expand eligibility for Educational Choice scholarships, to cease the operation of the Pilot Project Scholarship Program on July 1, 2023, and to increase the income tax credit for homeschooling expenses.
Current Status: 3/7/2023 - Senate Education, (Third Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/21/2023 - Senate Education, (Second Hearing)
2/7/2023 - Senate Education, (First Hearing)
Categories: Children and Family Issues, Education, Taxation
Position: Support
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-SB-11>

HB15 **ABORTION CONSENT LAW (GROSS J, LEAR B)** To revise the informed consent law regarding abortions.
Current Status: 2/16/2023 - Referred to Committee House Public Health Policy
Recent Status: 2/15/2023 - Introduced
Categories: Health Care, Justice & the Courts
Position: Support



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State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA135-HB-15>