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| **GOVERNMENTAL POLICY GROUP, INC.**  17 SOUTH HIGH STREET – SUITE 245  COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215-3413  PHONE: 614-461-9335  FAX: 614-461-9336  **CORD**  Legislative Activities Report  **December 2021** |

After months of uncertainty and controversy, House Republicans were able to gather enough support from within their caucus to pass legislation aimed at preventing vaccine mandates. HB 218, a bill originally dealing with alcohol sales, was amended and passed in less than 24 hours. House Republicans have struggled for months to garner enough support for a vaccine-related bill. The first attempt was HB 248, which would have barred anyone from requiring any vaccine and would have prohibited employers from having different policies for those with or without vaccines. That bill drew fierce opposition from health care providers and the business community. House Republican leadership then introduced HB 435 as a compromise bill, which was pulled from the House floor twice after the Republican caucus couldn’t gain enough support to pass the bill. Speaker Bob Cupp said HB 218 was passed after members continued to hear concerns from constituents about the Biden Administration’s requirements for businesses. He said his caucus decided now is the time to pass something to address those concerns. The business community and health care advocates continue to push back against the proposal, as does Governor Mike DeWine, who’s spokesman said, “The governor still opposes requiring businesses to mandate vaccines and opposes government prohibiting employers from making those decisions as well.”

The Ohio House and Senate also put the finishing touches on a plan for Ohio’s new congressional districts by passing SB 258. Opponents of the plan, including all Democrats, have called the map an unconstitutional gerrymander that goes against the reforms approved by voters in 2018. Republicans claimed that the new maps have six safe GOP seats, two safe Democratic seats, and seven “competitive” seats. Critics argue that the newly proposed maps will result in Republicans having a 12-3 majority delegation. Governor DeWine signed the measure saying that SB 258 makes the most progress to produce a fair, compact, and competitive map. Lawmakers were facing a November 30 deadline to pass a proposal. Since SB 258 lacks bipartisan support, it will only be in effect for four years as opposed to ten years. A lawsuit was quickly filed with the Ohio Supreme Court to challenge the map. Earlier this year, the Ohio Redistricting Commission passed new districts for Ohio’s House and Senate districts. Like the congressional maps, that plan failed to gain bipartisan support and will only be in effect for four years. The proposal for the Ohio House and Senate districts is also being challenged in the Ohio Supreme Court.

President Joe Biden recently signed the $1.2 trillion bipartisan infrastructure plan that provides funding for broadband access, roads and bridges, and water infrastructure. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) will invest billions in Ohio for infrastructure improvements. Passage of the measure could help bring the Brent Spence Bridge Corridor Project in Cincinnati to fruition and would make critical investments in water infrastructure and the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The bill provides $1.4 billion for Ohio through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs. It also provides a total of $25 billion nationwide to address per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and for lead service line replacement to help ensure communities have access to clean, safe drinking water. Sen. Portman said the legislation will make America more competitive economically. "Nationwide, it represents a historic $542 billion investment in the roads, bridges, ports, waterways, railroads, electrical grids, broadband networks, and more," he said. "It will create hundreds of thousands of good paying jobs, and it does all of this without raising taxes."

Governor DeWine has announced the first two rounds of funding for Ohio’s water and wastewater systems under the Ohio BUILDS (Broadband, Utilities, and Infrastructure for Local Development Success) initiative. The first waive of funding ($93 million) went to 54 projects impacting 60 counties in Ohio. A second round of funding was announced shortly thereafter with awards going to 28 projects totaling an additional $44 million. Funding for the program was made available through the passage of HB 168 earlier this year, which used $250 million from Ohio’s portion of the federal American Rescue Plan Act (APRA) funding. The Coalition of Ohio Regional Districts (CORD) helped spearhead the advocacy efforts behind the funding proposal and had been urging legislators and the DeWine Administration to use Ohio’s federal COVID-19 relief funding on Ohio’s water and wastewater infrastructure needs. The program is administered by the Ohio Department of Development, which over the summer was charged with accepting applications and ranking projects. Over $1.4 billion in projects were submitted by over 1200 water and wastewater systems.

The House State and Local Government Committee started hearings on SB 15, a bill protecting public treasurers and fiscal offers from lability for lost public funding even if they performed their required duties “with reasonable care.” Under the bill, fiscal officers and treasurers would only be liable for funds due to negligence or a wrongful act. CORD is currently working with the committee on an amendment that would expand the protections to the fiscal officers of 6119 regional districts.

The Ohio House and Senate released their session schedules for 2022. After breaking for the winter holidays, both chambers are expected to resume committee hearings on January 11th with the first sessions of the year taking place the following week. The House and Senate will have robust session schedules leading up to June at which point they will recess for the summer to prepare for the November 2022 General Election.

Below is a list of legislation we are currently tracking during the 134th Ohio General Assembly:

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| **HB13** | **MODIFY THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW** (GRENDELL D, FRAIZER M) To modify the campaign finance law and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/15/2021 - House Government Oversight, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB20** | **PROHIBIT FORECLOSURES, EVICTION DURING COVID-19** (LELAND D, CROSSMAN J) To prohibit foreclosure activity and the eviction of residential and commercial tenants during the state of emergency declared regarding COVID-19, to refer such proceedings caused by the state of emergency to mediation, and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/23/2021 - House Civil Justice, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB43** | **PUBLIC BODIES - ELECTRONIC MEETINGS** (SOBECKI L, HOOPS J) To authorize public bodies to meet via teleconference and video conference. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/11/2021 - House Government Oversight, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB63** | **AMEND EMINENT DOMAIN LAWS** (CUTRONA A, STOLTZFUS R) To amend the law regarding eminent domain and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/2/2021 - House Civil Justice, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB90** | **OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNOR'S AND HEALTH ORDERS** (WIGGAM S, EDWARDS J) To establish legislative oversight of the Governor's executive orders, certain public health orders, and emergency rules, including by establishing the Ohio Health Oversight and Advisory Committee. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/24/2021 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, House State and Local Government, (Third Hearing) |
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| **HB91** | **AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PUBLIC-PRIVATE INITIATIVES** (PATTON T) To authorize certain public entities to enter into public-private initiatives with a private party through a public-private agreement regarding public facilities. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/29/2021 - House Infrastructure and Rural Development, (Third Hearing) |
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| **HB103** | **REGARDS ADOPTION/DURATION EMERGENCY RULES** (MERRIN D) Regarding the adoption and duration of emergency administrative rules. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/24/2021 - House State and Local Government, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB110** | **OPERATING BUDGET** (OELSLAGER S) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, to levy taxes, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 7/1/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; effective 7/1/21 |
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| **HB146** | **REGARDS APPLYING PREVAILING WAGE LAW TO PUBLIC PROJECTS** (RIEDEL C, MANCHESTER S) To allow political subdivisions, special districts, and state institutions of higher education to elect to apply the Prevailing Wage Law to public improvement projects. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/23/2021 - House Commerce and Labor, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB158** | **PROHIBIT USE OF CERTAIN FIREFIGHTING FOAM FOR TESTING/TRAINING** (BALDRIDGE B) To prohibit the use of class B firefighting foam containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals for testing and training purposes. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/19/2021 - Senate Veterans and Public Safety, (Third Hearing) |
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| **HB167** | **PROVIDE RENT, UTILITY ASSISTANCE** (OELSLAGER S) To provide rent and utility assistance and to make an appropriation. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/11/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. immediately |
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| **HB168** | **UNEMPLOYMENT DEBT** (FRAIZER M) To remit funds from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to repay unemployment advances, to provide funds to support improvements at pediatric behavioral health care facilities, to require the Development Services Agency to establish the Water and Sewer Quality Program, and to make appropriations. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/29/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. immediately |
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| **HB175** | **DEREGULATE CERTAIN EPHEMERAL WATER FEATURES** (HILLYER B) To deregulate certain ephemeral water features under various water pollution control laws. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/30/2021 - Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB177** | **ALLOW GOVERNMENTS TO USE BLOCKCHAIN** (CARFAGNA R, FRAIZER M) To allow a governmental entity to utilize distributed ledger technology, including blockchain technology. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/10/2021 - **PASSED BY SENATE**; Vote 33-0 |
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| **HB202** | **VOID ORDERS REQUIRING FACIAL COVERINGS** (POWELL J) To void the order of the Interim Director of Health requiring the use of facial coverings throughout the state and prohibit the Governor or other administrative department heads from requiring the use of facial coverings without approval by the General Assembly. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/22/2021 - House Government Oversight, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB203** | **REQUIRE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE IF EXPERIENCED IN OTHER STATE** (POWELL J) To require an occupational licensing authority to issue a license or government certification to an applicant who holds a license, government certification, or private certification or has satisfactory work experience in another state under certain circumstances and to amend the version of section 3319.22 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect on April 12, 2023, to continue the changes on and after that date. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/27/2021 - **BILL AMENDED**, House State and Local Government, (Fourth Hearing) |
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| **HB218** | **COVID-19 VACCINE - QUALIFIED IMMUNITIES** (CUTRONA A) To address medical requirements for employees and students; to address qualified civil immunity regarding certain coronaviruses; to authorize emergency medical technicians to administer COVID-19 tests; to expressly cover COVID-19 vaccine injuries under the workers' compensation system; and to repeal sections 3792.05, 3792.07, and 3792.08 of the Revised Code on September 30, 2025. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/30/2021 - Senate General Government Budget, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB232** | **OHIO EQUAL PAY ACT** (HOWSE S, MIRANDA J) To enact the Ohio Equal Pay Act to address wage disparities in public and private employment. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/22/2021 - House Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB245** | **EXPAND ELIGIBILITY - COUNTY SEWER DISCOUNTED RATES** (INGRAM C) To expand eligibility for county sewer discounted rates or charges. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 4/14/2021 - Referred to Committee House State and Local Government |
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| **HB247** | **REVISE PLUMBING INSPECTION LAW** (WEST T, KELLY B) To amend the law related to plumbing inspections. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/26/2021 - Referred to Committee Senate Health |
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| **HB267** | **LIMIT PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS** (JORDAN K) To limit the duration of public health orders and to allow the General Assembly to act via concurrent resolution in response to a public health emergency if the Governor or Department of Health does not. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/4/2021 - Referred to Committee House State and Local Government |
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| **HB269** | **REPEAL SB22** (GALONSKI T) To repeal the version of Section 3 of S.B. 22 of the 134th General Assembly scheduled to take effect on June 23, 2021, to repeal the changes made by S.B. 22 of the 134th General Assembly to the laws governing legislative oversight of certain orders and rules issued by the executive branch, including the establishment of the Ohio Health Oversight and Advisory Committee, and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/4/2021 - Referred to Committee House State and Local Government |
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| **HB275** | **EXPAND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION JOINT PURCHASING AUTHORITY** (LAMPTON B) To expand political subdivision joint purchasing authority to expressly include purchases for construction services. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/12/2021 - House Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB299** | **CONSUMER UTILITY BILLING TRANSPARENCY ACT** (SKINDELL M) To enact "The Consumer Utility Billing Transparency Act" requiring the itemization of all riders, charges, taxes, and other costs on certain utility bills. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/19/2021 - House Public Utilities, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB309** | **FAIR, OPEN COMPETITION ACT** (BRINKMAN T) To enact the Fair and Open Competition Act regarding project labor agreements in public improvement contracts. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/18/2021 - Referred to Committee House Commerce and Labor |
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| **HB327** | **STOP TEACHING OF DIVISIVE CONCEPTS** (GRENDELL D, FOWLER S) To enact "The Promoting Education, Not Indoctrination Act" regarding the promotion of divisive concepts by primary and secondary schools, state institutions of higher education, political subdivisions, and state agencies. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/27/2021 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, House State and Local Government, (Fourth Hearing) |
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| **HB350** | **PROHIBIT MANDATORY COVID-19 VACCINE** (CUTRONA A) To prohibit mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations, requiring proof of COVID-19 vaccination, and certain other actions relating to an individual's COVID-19 vaccination or health status and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/22/2021 - House Civil Justice, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB364** | **WATERWORKS INFRASTRUCTURE APPLICATION** (PATTON T) To make changes to the application process for the waterworks infrastructure improvement surcharge. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/27/2021 - House Public Utilities, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB365** | **DRINKING WATER SAFETY RULES** (LIGHTBODY M, RUSSO A) To require the Director of Environmental Protection to adopt rules establishing maximum allowable contaminant levels in drinking water and water quality standards for certain contaminants. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/16/2021 - Referred to Committee House Agriculture and Conservation |
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| **HB376** | **OHIO PERSONAL PRIVACY ACT** (CARFAGNA R, HALL T) To enact the Ohio Personal Privacy Act. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/28/2021 - House Government Oversight, (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB385** | **PROHIBIT DISCHARGE OF WASTE INTO OHIO WATERS** (CROSS J) To prohibit a municipal corporation located within the Western Basin of Lake Erie from discharging any amount of waste into Ohio waters. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/28/2021 - House Agriculture and Conservation, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB388** | **REGARDING VACCINE REFUSAL** (JORDAN K) To prohibit taking certain actions against an individual because the individual refuses to be vaccinated against a disease. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 8/12/2021 - Introduced |
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| **HB401** | **EMPLOYER-MANDATED COVID VACCINATION INJURY** (EDWARDS J) To exempt an injury or disability caused by an employer-mandated COVID-19 vaccination from the Workers' Compensation Law and to allow the employee to sue the employer for damages. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 8/24/2021 - Introduced |
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| **HB411** | **INDIVIDUAL PRIVACY, ANTI-DISCRIMINATION ACT** (CLICK G, GRENDELL D) To prohibit mandatory disclosures related to an individual's COVID-19 vaccination status, to name the act the Individual Privacy and Anti-Discrimination Act, and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/8/2021 - Introduced |
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| **HB422** | **BILLING - MUNICIPAL SERVICES** (FRAIZER M, WEST T) To limit the amount municipal corporations can recover from property owners of non-owner-occupied properties for unpaid municipal utility and other service rates and charges and to create an appeals process for improper billing of municipal services. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/29/2021 - House State and Local Government, (First Hearing) |
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| **HB424** | **COVID-19 VACCINE - QUALIFIED IMMUNITIES** (KOEHLER K) To prohibit a political subdivision, public official, public school, state agency, or state institution of higher education from taking certain actions related to the COVID-19 vaccine, to codify the qualified civil immunities under H.B. 606 of the 133rd General Assembly permanently, to repeal section 3792.05 of the Revised Code on the date that is two years after the effective date of that section, and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/20/2021 - Introduced |
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| **HB435** | **VACCINE REQUIREMENTS** (CARFAGNA R, SEITZ B) To address COVID-19 vaccine requirements for employees and students; to extend certain timelines for qualified civil immunity and expand immunity to include hearing aid dealers and hearing aid fitters; to authorize emergency medical technicians to administer COVID-19 tests; to expressly cover COVID-19 vaccine injuries under the workers' compensation system; and to repeal sections 3792.05, 3792.06, 3792.07, and 3792.08 of the Revised Code on June 30, 2023. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/13/2021 - Bills for Third Consideration; (Pending Committee Report) |
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| **HB455** | **AVOID CHARGES FOR CARRYING WEAPON INTO CERTAIN PLACES** (STOLTZFUS R) To provide an opportunity for a concealed handgun licensee or qualified military member to avoid charges for carrying a deadly weapon into a prohibited place if the person leaves upon request and to penalize failure to leave upon request or returning with a firearm. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/26/2021 - Referred to Committee House Government Oversight |
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| **HB463** | **ELIMINATE HEALTH DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCILS** (STEPHENS J) To eliminate district advisory councils for general health districts, and transfer their duties and responsibilities to boards of county commissioners. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/26/2021 - Referred to Committee House State and Local Government |
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| **HB464** | **ELIMINATE WATER SYSTEM PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS** (WIGGAM S) Too eliminate public water system asset management program requirements and to require the Director of Environmental Protection to rescind rules governing that program. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/26/2021 - Referred to Committee House Agriculture and Conservation |
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| **HB472** | **POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LIABILITY** (INGRAM C) To eliminate certain defenses to political subdivision liability for an employee's negligent operation of a motor vehicle and to reduce damages recoverable against a political subdivision in such actions by the contributory fault of the plaintiff or other parties. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/2/2021 - Referred to Committee House Civil Justice |
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| **HB479** | **ESTABLISH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS** (OELSLAGER S) To declare the General Assembly's intent to enact legislation establishing congressional district boundaries for the state based on the 2020 decennial census. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/12/2021 - , (Second Hearing) |
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| **HB481** | **COVID VACCINE, PASSPORT PROTECTION ACT** (JORDAN K) To enact the COVID-19 Vaccination and Passport Protection Act to prohibit schools, institutions of higher education, employers, and places of public accommodation from requiring COVID-19 vaccines or proof of vaccination. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/8/2021 - Introduced |
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| **HB485** | **REQUIREMENTS FOR DRONE OPERATION** (HOLMES A) To establish requirements and prohibitions governing the operation of unmanned aerial vehicles in Ohio. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/16/2021 - Referred to Committee House Criminal Justice |
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| **HB486** | **REQUIREMENTS FOR DRONE SURVEILLANCE** (HOLMES A) To establish requirements related to the use of an unmanned aerial vehicle for surveillance. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/16/2021 - Referred to Committee House Criminal Justice |
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| **HB489** | **INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF CONSCIENCE ACT** (CLICK G) To enact the Inalienable Rights of Conscience Act regarding students and employees who object to certain vaccines and other treatments based on reasons of conscience, including religious convictions. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/16/2021 - Introduced |
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| **HCR30** | **OPPOSE VACCINE MANDATES** (KOEHLER K) To urge the Congress of the United States to oppose any COVID-19 vaccine mandates made by government entities and to prohibit discrimination based on COVID-19 vaccination status. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/26/2021 - Referred to Committee House Government Oversight |
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| **HR19** | **URGE CONGRESS TO CREATE NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE BANK** (SOBECKI L, STEPHENS J) To urge the United States Congress to create a National Infrastructure Bank to finance urgently needed infrastructure projects. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/24/2021 - House Infrastructure and Rural Development, (First Hearing) |
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| **SB9** | **REDUCE REGULATIONS** (MCCOLLEY R, ROEGNER K) To require certain agencies to reduce the number of regulatory restrictions in their administrative rules. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/28/2021 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Government Oversight, (Third Hearing) |
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| **SB15** | **FISCAL OFFICERS-LIABILITY** (WILSON S) To change the circumstances in which certain fiscal officers may be held liable for a loss of public funds. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/17/2021 - House State and Local Government, (First Hearing) |
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| **SB19** | **REGARDING PROPERTY TAXATION** (SCHAFFER T) To modify the law regarding property taxation and sales and use tax. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/10/2021 - Consideration of House Amendments; Senate Does Not Concur, Vote 1-32 |
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| **SB22** | **LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT-PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS** (JOHNSON T, MCCOLLEY R) To establish legislative oversight of orders issued by the executive branch, including by establishing the Ohio Health Oversight and Advisory Committee. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/24/2021 - Consideration of Governor's Veto; House Overrides Veto, Vote 62-35 |
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| **SB27** | **AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT-DEFERRED COMPENSATION** (HOTTINGER J) To authorize automatic enrollment of new state government employees in the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Program. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/8/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 9/7/21 |
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| **SB39** | **COOPER'S LAW - CRIMES & RECORD RETENTION** (SCHAFFER T) To eliminate the 20-year statute of limitation for felonious assault and aggravated assault if the victim is a peace officer, to modify the law regarding records retention schedules developed by counties, municipal corporations, and townships, to modify the penalties for aggravated assault, tampering with evidence, falsification, and falsification in a theft offense, and to name this act Cooper's Law. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 9/21/2021 - Senate Judiciary, (Second Hearing) |
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| **SB56** | **INDEMNITY-DESIGN CONTRACTS** (BLESSING III L) To regulate the use of indemnity provisions in professional design contracts related to public improvements. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/16/2021 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, House Civil Justice, (Fourth Hearing) |
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| **SB78** | **JUNETEENTH-LEGAL HOLIDAY** (CRAIG H, BRENNER A) To establish the nineteenth of June as Juneteenth, a legal holiday for which government employees receive paid leave. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 2/24/2021 - Referred to Committee Senate Government Oversight and Reform |
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| **SB83** | **BROWNFIELDS** (WILLIAMS S, RULLI M) To require the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study to determine where brownfield sites are located in this state and to make an appropriation. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/17/2021 - **BILL AMENDED**, House Agriculture and Conservation, (Fourth Hearing) |
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| **SB84** | **CLEAN OHIO REVITALIZATION FUND** (WILLIAMS S, RULLI M) To make changes to the law relating to the Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/23/2021 - Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing) |
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| **SB95** | **REGULATE UTILITY RESELLERS** (MAHARATH T) To require refunds to utility customers who have been improperly charged and to regulate certain resellers of utility service. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/31/2021 - Senate Energy and Public Utilities, (First Hearing) |
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| **SB96** | **PREVENT UTILITY DISTRUPTION-COVID** (WILLIAMS S) To prevent the disruption of utility service during the state of emergency declared regarding COVID-19 and to declare an emergency. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/31/2021 - Senate Energy and Public Utilities, (First Hearing) |
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| **SB105** | **MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISES** (SYKES V, SCHURING K) To require political subdivisions to recognize state certifications of minority business enterprises. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/17/2021 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, House Economic and Workforce Development, (Third Hearing) |
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| **SB110** | **RENT, UTILITY ASSISTANCE** (O'BRIEN S, WILSON S) To provide rent and utility assistance and to make an appropriation. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 3/24/2021 - Referred to Committee House Finance |
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| **SB111** | **VACCINATIONS, CORONAVIRUS RECOVERY INCLUDING TOWNSHIPS** (BLESSING III L, BRENNER A) To prohibit certain mandatory vaccinations and other activities related to an individual's vaccination status and to make an appropriation related to coronavirus local fiscal recovery. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/24/2021 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Amended on Floor, Bill Vote 62-34 |
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| **SB131** | **LICENSURE RECIPROCITY** (ROEGNER K, MCCOLLEY R) To require an occupational licensing authority to issue a license or government certification to an applicant who holds a license, government certification, or private certification or has satisfactory work experience in another state under certain circumstances and to amend the version of section 3319.22 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect on April 12, 2023, to continue the changes on and after that date. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/26/2021 - Senate Workforce and Higher Education, (Second Hearing) |
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| **SB143** | **ADOPT MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL-ALUMINUM** (O'BRIEN S) To require the Director of Environmental Protection to adopt a maximum contaminant level for aluminum in drinking water. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/15/2021 - Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Third Hearing) |
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| **SB152** | **FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE TASK FORCE** (HOAGLAND F) To establish the Fraud, Waste, and Abuse Task Force in the office of the Attorney General and to make an appropriation. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/9/2021 - Senate Finance, (First Hearing) |
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| **SB175** | **LABOR AGREEMENTS-PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS** (LANG G) To enact the Fair and Open Competition Act regarding project labor agreements in public improvement contracts. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 5/5/2021 - Introduced |
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| **SB180** | **EXPANDED DISCOUNTED SEWER RATES** (THOMAS C) To expand eligibility for county sewer discounted rates or charges. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/8/2021 - Senate Energy and Public Utilities, (First Hearing) |
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| **SB193** | **UNPAID WATER CHARGES** (WILLIAMS S) To prohibit political subdivisions from placing a lien on property for unpaid water charges. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 6/2/2021 - Referred to Committee Senate Energy and Public Utilities |
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| **SB258** | **ESTABLISH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS** (MCCOLLEY R) To establish congressional district boundaries for the state based on the 2020 decennial census and to delay certain deadlines related to the 2022 congressional primary election. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/20/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR** |
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| **SB260** | **LOCAL PURCHASING AUTHORITY-CONSTRUCTION** (LANG G) To expand political subdivision joint purchasing authority to expressly include purchases for construction services. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 11/10/2021 - Referred to Committee Senate Local Government and Elections |
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| **SCR9** | **URGE HOUSING INEQUALITY RESPONSE** (WILLIAMS S) To urge the state of Ohio to take steps to address housing inequality. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/6/2021 - Referred to Committee Senate Financial Institutions and Technology |
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| **SJR2** | **PERMIT BONDS-CLEAN WATER IMPROVEMENTS** (GAVARONE T, YUKO K) Proposing to enact Section 2t of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of Ohio to permit the issuance of general obligation bonds to fund clean water improvements. | |
|  | ***Current Status:*** | 10/19/2021 - Senate Finance, (First Hearing) |