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The House Republican leadership for the 135th General Assembly has been set with Rep. Jason Stephens (R-Kitts Hill) as Speaker, Scott Oelslager (R-Canton) as Speaker Pro Tempore, Rep. Bill Seitz (R-Cincinnati) as Majority Floor Leader, Rep. Jon Cross (R-Kenton) as Assistant Majority Floor Leader, Rep. Jim Hoops (R-Napoleon) as Majority Whip, and Rep. Sharon Ray (R-Wadsworth) as Assistant Majority Whip.

The House Democrats have reelected Rep. Allison Russo (D-Upper Arlington) as Minority Leader, Rep. Dontavius Jarrells (D-Columbus) will be the new Assistant Minority Leaders, Rep. Jessica Miranda (D-Forest Park) is the Minority Whip, and Rep. Tavia Galonski (D-Akron) is the Assistant Minority Leader.

On the Senate side, Senator Matt Huffman (R-Lima) retained his position as the Senate President, Senator Kirk Schuring (R-Canton) was elevated to President Pro Tempore, Senator Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) is the Majority Floor Leader, and Senator Theresa Gavarone (R-Bowling Green) is the Majority Whip.

The Senate Democrats elevated Senator Nickie Antonio (D-Lakewood) to be their Minority Leader, Senator Hearcel Craig (D-Columbus) is the Assistant Minority Leader, Senator Kent Smith (D-Euclid) is the Minority Whip, and Senator Paula Hick-Hudson (D-Toledo) is the Assistant Minority Whip.

Gov. Mike DeWine and staff of the Office of Budget and Management (OBM) are currently reviewing budget requests from 90 state agencies as they work to put together the administration's proposed budget for fiscal years 2024-2025. Over the summer, OBM issued its [Operating Budget Guidance](#) and [Budget Language Guidance](#) featuring a few changes for agencies submitting proposals. OBM has also released the following tentative timeline:

- Nov. 2022-Jan. 2023: OBM reviews agency requests and works with the Governor's Office to develop budget recommendations
- Jan. 31, 2023: Executive Budget (Blue Book) published
- Feb. 14, 2023: Main Operating Budget Bill introduced
- Feb.-June 2023: Main Operating Budget Bill moves through legislative process
- July 1, 2023: New main operating budget appropriations become effective

Though the most sweeping K-12 proposal of the lame duck session failed in the final hours, lawmakers still made a substantial number of education policy changes before wrapping up the 134th General Assembly. Senate GOP-backed SB178 (Reineke), which would transfer most K-12 policymaking and implementation authority from the State Board of Education and superintendent to the governor's cabinet, could not garner House approval in the late hours of the Wednesday- Thursday marathon sessions. With it fell an attempt to restrict participation of transgender student athletes via HB151 (Jones), which the Senate used as a vehicle to try to win passage of SB178. Teacher licensure bill HB554 (Lightbody-Bird) carried several new policies

into law. Reps. Mary Lightbody (D-Westerville) and Adam Bird (R-New Richmond), respectively a former teacher and school superintendent, introduced the measure as a way to address educator shortages by making it easier for teachers with expired licenses to return to the classroom. But in the final week of legislative activity, the Senate Primary and Second Education Committee loaded it up with several amendments, **including one that encompassed SB356 (Brenner), which expands the definition of children with a developmental delay, affecting special education funding levels for those students.**

Before the legislature wrapped up for the term in December, it approved legislation providing more than \$6 billion in spending on various programs and projects. The money -- most of which comes from federal pandemic relief bills -- was added into tax amnesty bill HB45 (Roemer, West) via one omnibus amendment and two stand-alone amendments. Highlights of the omnibus amendment, AM4298, include the following:

- More than \$1.1 billion that Dolan said is "necessary to true up both the Medicaid and the [Developmental Disabilities] line items."
- \$1.75 billion for schools.
- \$161 million for emergency rental assistance.
- \$499 million for federally-funded child care.
- \$749 million will go into the Budget Stabilization Fund, which Dolan said is necessary to meet statutory requirements.
- \$85 million is going to a program to help ensure Ohio has more mental and behavioral health workers.
- Beginning in 2023, there will be a one-time \$10,000 grant for adoptions to replace the current adoption tax credit. The grant is \$10,000 for most adoptions, \$15,000 for adopting a foster child and \$20,000 for adopting a child with disabilities.
- A one-time \$2,500 higher education grant program will be created for any adopted child in Ohio.
- \$3 million for Ohio parenting and pregnancy programs.
- \$75 million for infrastructure related to the recently-announced Honda project.
- \$250 million for water quality programs.
- \$90 million for crisis care facilities around the state.
- \$50 million for arts organizations and museums.
- \$150 million for lead mitigation projects.
- \$350 million for skilled nursing facilities.
- \$50 million for the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE).
- \$50 million for the Ohio State Fair, and \$4.5 million for county fairs, with each county fair getting \$50,000.

Most Ohioans will need to present a photo ID in order to vote in person under new legislation, HB458 (Hall). Republicans said the measure would improve election security and ensure more Ohioans trust the voting process, while Democrats said the bill is aiming to solve problems that don't exist and would make it more difficult for many people to vote. The committee made several more changes to the bill on Tuesday morning, including the following:

- The deadline for absent voters' ballots to be returned and the cure period for provisional and absentee ballots is four days after Election Day.



- The Ohio Secretary of State's Office can conduct absentee ballot application mailings with conditions including a report to the Legislature.
- The six Monday early voting hours will be re-allocated to the previous week.
- Elections officials can respond to public records requests regarding drop boxes by posting video footage online.
- A U.S. passport or interim license would be added to the list of what counts as voter ID.



Below is a list of legislation we tracked during the 134th Ohio General Assembly:

- HB1 CREATE NEW SCHOOL FINANCING SYSTEM (CALLENDER J, SWEENEY B)** To create a new school financing system for fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter.
Current Status: 3/1/2021 - House Finance Primary and Secondary Education Subcommittee, (Fourth Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-1>
- HB6 MODIFY LAWS GOVERNING CERTAIN PROFESSIONS DUE TO COVID-19 (ROEMER B)** To amend Section 30 of H.B. 197 of the 133rd General Assembly to modify the laws governing certain health professionals and educator preparation programs due to COVID-19 and other circumstances and to modify the electric utility laws regarding energy efficiency programs; to amend the version of section 4729.92 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect on October 9, 2021, to continue the changes to that section on and after that date; and to declare an emergency.
Current Status: 5/14/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. Immediately, Sections 3 and 4 eff. 10/9/21
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-6>
- HB13 MODIFY THE CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW (GRENDALL D, FRAIZER M)** To modify the campaign finance law and to declare an emergency.
Current Status: 4/15/2021 - House Government Oversight, (Second Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-13>
- HB60 PERMIT MEDICAL MARIJUANA FOR AUTISM (BRENT J, SEITZ B)** To authorize the use of medical marijuana for autism spectrum disorder.
Current Status: 3/30/2022 - Senate Health, (First Hearing)



State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-60>

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)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-90>

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)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-103>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-110>

HB122 **TELEHEALTH SERVICES** (FRAIZER M, HOLMES A) To establish and modify requirements regarding the provision of telehealth services, to establish a provider credentialing program within the Medicaid program, to revise the law governing the State Medical Board's One-Bite Program, and to extend the suspension of certain programs and requirements under the state's insurance laws until January 1, 2026.

Current Status: 12/22/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 3/23/22

Comments: Proponent testimony - Jennell Vick, House Insurance Committee, 3/1/2021
Proponent testimony - Jane Mariani-Walker, 9/24/2021
Letter to House/Senate GOP leadership - OSHGAC et al, 11/3/2021

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-122>

HB125 **HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS/ BENEFITS** (CROSSMAN J, LIGHTBODY M) Regarding health insurance premiums and benefits.

Current Status: 2/24/2021 - House Insurance, (First Hearing)



State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-125>

HB160 **HEALTH CARE COST ESTIMATES (HOLMES A)** Regarding the provision of health care cost estimates.

Current Status: 3/10/2021 - House Insurance, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-160>

HB169 **SUPPORT PANDEMIC RECOVERY (CUTRONA A, SWEARINGEN D)** To make appropriations to support recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Current Status: 12/23/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 12/23/21

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-169>

HB198 **REQUIRE COVERAGE OF HEARING AIDS FOR CERTAIN PEOPLE (RUSSO A, MANCHESTER S)** To require health plan issuers to cover hearing aids and related services for persons twenty-one years of age and younger and to designate these changes Madeline's Law.

Current Status: 12/13/2022 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Health, (Third Hearing)

Comments: Proponent testimony - Jennell Vick, House Health Committee, 5/11/2021
Proponent testimony - Gina Hounam, House Health Committee, 5/11/2021

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-198>

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)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-202>

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: 11/15/2022 - Referred to Committee Senate Workforce and Higher Education

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-203>

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: 12/7/2021 - Senate General Government Budget, (Second Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-218>

HB248 VACCINE CHOICE ACT (GROSS J) To authorize an individual to decline a vaccination and to name this act the Vaccine Choice and Anti-Discrimination Act.

Current Status: 8/24/2021 - House Health, (Sixth Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-248>

HB252 AUDIOLOGY/SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERSTATE COMPACT (WHITE A, PLUMMER P) To enter into the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact.

Current Status: 7/1/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 9/30/21

Comments: Proponent testimony - Jennell Vick, House Health Committee, 4/27/2021
Proponent testimony - Carol Hofbauer, House Health Committee, 4/27/2021
Proponent testimony - Gina Hounam, House Health Committee, 4/27/2021
Proponent testimony - Jennell Vick, Senate Health Committee, 5/19/2021
Proponent testimony - Carol Hofbauer, Senate Health Committee, 5/19/2021
Proponent testimony - Gina Hounam, Senate Health Committee, 5/19/2021
Letter to President Huffman - Jennell Vick, 6/15/2021
Letter to President Huffman - OSLHA, 6/15/2021

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-252>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-267>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-269>

HB281 MENTAL HEALTH, DISABILITY TERMINOLOGY ACT (JARRELLS D, YOUNG T) To modify terminology in the Revised Code regarding people with mental illnesses and people with disabilities, to change the name of a commission to the Commission on African-Americans and modify the membership of the Commission, and to name this act the Mental Health and Disability Terminology Act.

Current Status: 1/5/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-281>

HB327 STOP TEACHING OF DIVISIVE CONCEPTS (GRENDALL 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: 2/16/2022 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, House State and Local Government, (Fifth Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-327>

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)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-350>



- HB359 LICENSE, REGULATE ART, MUSIC THERAPISTS (RUSSO A, CALLENDER J)** To license and regulate art therapists and music therapists.
Current Status: 12/7/2022 - House State and Local Government, (First Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-359>
- HB376 OHIO PERSONAL PRIVACY ACT (CARFAGNA R, HALL T)** To enact the Ohio Personal Privacy Act.
Current Status: 2/22/2022 - Re-Referred to Committee
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-376>
- 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
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-388>
- 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
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-401>
- 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
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-411>
- 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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-424>

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)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-435>

HB446 OHIO HEALTH CARE PLAN (SKINDELL M) To establish and operate the Ohio Health Care Plan to provide universal health care coverage to all Ohio residents.

Current Status: 10/27/2021 - House Insurance, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-446>

HB454 SAFE ACT (CLICK G, GRENDELL D) To prohibit certain procedures to alter a minor child's sex and to designate this act as the Save Adolescents from Experimentation (SAFE) Act.

Current Status: 11/16/2022 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED & AMENDED**, House Families, Aging and Human Services, (Fifth Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-454>

HB466 HEALTH CARE STAFFING AGENCY REQUIREMENTS (EDWARDS J) To establish requirements for the registration and operation of health care staffing agencies.

Current Status: 5/31/2022 - Re-Referred to Committee

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-466>

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)



State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-479>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-481>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-489>

HB498 ADULT USE ACT (CALLENDER J, FERGUSON R) To enact the Ohio Adult Use Act and to levy a tax.

Current Status: 12/6/2022 - House Finance, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-498>

HB509 REVISE OCCUPATIONAL REGULATIONS (JOHN M, FOWLER S) To revise and streamline the state's occupational regulations.

Current Status: 1/5/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-509>

HB535 MEDICAID MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS (LIPPS S) To prohibit Medicaid managed care organizations from entering into single-source or preferred provider contracts with suppliers of durable medical equipment, prosthetic devices, orthotic devices, or medical supply items.

Current Status: 12/1/2022 - House Finance, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-535>

HB544 DELAY 2022 PRIMARY (SOBECKI L, WEST T) To repeal Section 4 of S.B. 258 of the 134th General Assembly to delay the 2022 primary election to June 7 and to declare an emergency.

Current Status: 2/15/2022 - Referred to Committee House Government Oversight



State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-544>

HB554 **TEMPORARY EDUCATOR LICENSES (LIGHTBODY M, BIRD A)** To require the State Board of Education to issue temporary educator licenses to applicants with expired professional teacher's certificates and professional educator licenses, with regard to the composition of the Educator Standards Board and its subcommittees, STEM school classroom facilities project funding, full-time equivalency for students enrolled in certain community schools for the 2022-2023 school year, the provision of intervention services under the Autism Scholarship Program, children of military families participation in the college credit plus program, high school graduation requirements for transfer and chartered nonpublic school students, and regarding the education of children experiencing developmental delays and state operating funding for districts and schools educating them; to expand where multiple community school facilities may be located under a community school sponsor contract; and to permit state universities to develop a policy regulating student organizations' use of university logos.

Current Status: 1/5/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-554>

HB583 **EDUCATION OMNIBUS (BIRD A, JONES D)** To amend Sections 265.150, 265.210, 265.225, and 265.335 of H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly, Section 4 of S.B. 1 of the 134th General Assembly, and Section 5 of H.B. 123 of the 133rd General Assembly as subsequently amended regarding substitute teachers, the school financing system, the Educational Choice Scholarship Program, the Pilot Project Scholarship Program, the ACE Educational Savings Account Program, Community Schools of Quality, community school sponsors, state funding for certain community schools, dyslexia screening requirements, tutoring programs, alternative resident education licenses, Ohio School Safety Month, the career-technical education income tax credit, practical nurse education programs, and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 6/24/2022 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Appropriations eff. 6/24/22; other provisions eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-583>

HB616 **TEACHING OF DIVISIVE CONCEPTS (LOYCHIK M, SCHMIDT J)** Regarding the promotion and teaching of divisive or inherently racist concepts in public schools.

Current Status: 5/31/2022 - House State and Local Government, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-616>



- HB618 U.S. PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS (SWEENEY B)** To require the distribution of information regarding the U.S. Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program to public servants, to establish the Navigator Pilot Program to assist public servants in navigating the U.S. Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program, and to make an appropriation.
Current Status: 11/15/2022 - House Finance, (First Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-618>
- HB631 PROMOTE ALTERNATIVE TREATMENTS FOR COVID (JORDAN K)** To protect the health care professional-patient relationship, to promote alternative drugs and therapies for the treatment of SARS-CoV-2, including its variants, and COVID-19, and to name this act the COVID-19 Health Care Professional-Patient Relationship Protection Act.
Current Status: 11/15/2022 - House Civil Justice, (First Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-631>
- HB653 HEALTH IMPACT STATEMENTS (INGRAM C, DAVIS S)** To require the Legislative Service Commission to create health impact statements for introduced bills, to create the Health and Equity Interagency Team, and to name this act the Health Equity In All Health Related Policy Act.
Current Status: 5/17/2022 - Referred to Committee House Health
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-653>
- HB667 GROW YOUR OWN TEACHER PROGRAM (LIGHTBODY M)** To establish the Grow Your Own Teacher Program and to make an appropriation.
Current Status: 12/6/2022 - House Higher Education and Career Readiness, (First Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-667>
- HB675 SOLICITATIONS - INSURANCE SUPERINTENDENT (DEAN B)** To prohibit the Superintendent of Insurance from prohibiting certain forms of solicitation of Medicare supplement policies.
Current Status: 12/13/2022 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 67-25
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-675>
- HB676 WORKERS' COMP PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY AWARDS (BRINKMAN T)** Regarding permanent partial disability awards under the Workers' Compensation Law.
Current Status: 12/13/2022 - House Civil Justice, (First Hearing)



State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-676>

HB679 **MEDICAL DISCRIMINATION BUSINESS PROTECTION ACT (JORDAN K)** To prohibit taking certain actions against a business based on the vaccination status of its employees, patients, or patrons and to name this act the Medical Discrimination Business Protection Act.

Current Status: 5/18/2022 - Referred to Committee House Civil Justice

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-679>

HB687 **CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS (OELSLAGER S)** To amend Sections 219.10, 221.10, 221.13, 223.10, 223.15, 227.10, 229.10, 229.20, 237.10, and 237.13 of H.B. 597 of the 134th General Assembly to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of certain state programs, to make capital appropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2024, and to make other appropriations.

Current Status: 6/14/2022 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 6/14/22

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-687>

HB707 **PREGNANCY ACCOMMODATIONS (KELLY B, UPCHURCH T)** To enact the "Pregnancy Accommodation Act" to generally require employers to make reasonable accommodations for pregnant employees.

Current Status: 11/15/2022 - Referred to Committee House Commerce and Labor

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-707>

HB711 **DISCLOSE WITHHELD STATE TAXES (SOBECKI L)** To require the Tax Commissioner to disclose to an employee, upon request, the employee's withheld state taxes.

Current Status: 11/15/2022 - Referred to Committee House Ways and Means

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-711>

HB742 **DATA COLLECTION - AUTISM (LIPPS S)** To require data collection, reporting, and outreach regarding applied behavior analysis for children with autism who are Medicaid enrollees.

Current Status: 11/15/2022 - Referred to Committee House Families, Aging and Human Services

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-742>



- 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
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HCR-30>
- HCR35** **INVALIDATE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO OAC RULE 3301-35-04 (CALLENDER J)** To invalidate the proposed amendments to rule 3301-35-04 of the Administrative Code, the latest version of which was filed by the Department of Education with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review on August 20, 2021.
Current Status: 10/20/2021 - **ADOPTED BY SENATE**; Resolution Vote 30-0
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HCR-35>
- HCR41** **REPEAL STATE INCOME TAX WITHIN A DECADE (BRINKMAN T)** To declare the General Assembly's intention to repeal the state individual income tax within a decade.
Current Status: 2/15/2022 - House Ways and Means, (First Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HCR-41>
- HJR6** **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.
Current Status: 12/12/2022 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Government Oversight, (Fourth Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HJR-6>
- SB3** **NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT (ROEGNER K)** To enter into the Nurse Licensure Compact.
Current Status: 7/1/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 9/30/21
Comments:
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-3>
- SB5** **PHYSICAL THERAPY LICENSURE COMPACT (ROEGNER K, BLESSING III L)** To enter into the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact.
Current Status: 3/31/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 6/30/21



State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-5>

SB6 **MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT (ROEGNER K, HUFFMAN S)** To enter into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.

Current Status: 7/1/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 9/30/21

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-6>

SB7 **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSURE COMPACT (ROEGNER K)** To enter into the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact.

Current Status: 3/31/2021 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 6/30/21

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-7>

SB9 **REDUCE REGULATIONS, ELECTION FUNDING (MCCOLLEY R, ROEGNER K)** To limit regulatory restrictions in administrative rules, to make various technical and corrective changes to the liquor laws, to amend the version of section 111.15 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect September 30, 2024, to continue the limitations on and after that date, and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 3/10/2022 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Appropriations language eff. 3/10/22, Statutory language eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-9>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-22>

SB60 **MEDICAID ESTATE RECOVERY-INFORMED CONSENT (SCHAFFER T)** To require Medicaid applicants to certify that they have been notified about the Medicaid estate recovery program.

Current Status: 3/16/2022 - Senate Health, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-60>

SB110 **NURSING FACILITIES (O'BRIEN S, WILSON S)** To establish requirements for the registration and operation of health care staffing agencies, to require the



Department of Medicaid to complete a report on the inventory of private rooms in nursing facilities, to provide funds for immediate relief payments to nursing facilities, to amend the version of section 3701.83 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect on September 30, 2024, to continue the change on and after that date, and to make an appropriation.

Current Status: 12/1/2022 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 63-18

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-110>

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

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-111>

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, to specify that individuals may not register as credit services organizations, to specify that individuals may not be licensed as manufacturers or wholesalers of fireworks, to maintain State Teacher Retirement System membership for certain school psychologists, and to revise continuing education requirements for licensed auctioneers.

Current Status: 1/2/2023 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; eff. 90 days

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-131>

SB206 REGULATE ART, MUSIC THERAPY (YUKO K, BRENNER A) To license and regulate art therapists and music therapists.

Current Status: 5/18/2022 - Senate Health, (First Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-206>

SB233 SCHOOL NURSE LICENSURE, RETIREMENT (BLESSING III L) Regarding licensure and state retirement system membership for school nurses.

Current Status: 2/15/2022 - Senate Primary and Secondary Education, (Second Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-233>



- 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**; eff. 2/19/22
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-258>
- SB327** **NONBUSINESS INCOME TAX REPEAL (HUFFMAN S)** To repeal the state income tax on nonbusiness income with a ten-year phase-out.
Current Status: 5/18/2022 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-327>
- SB340** **CREATE WORKFORCE VOUCHER PROGRAM (SCHURING K, MANNING N)** To establish the Workforce Voucher Program, to terminate the provisions of the Voucher Program two years after the bill's effective date by repealing sections 122.157, 122.158, and 3313.473 of the Revised Code on that date, to authorize tax credits for graduates of the Voucher Program, and to make an appropriation.
Current Status: 5/18/2022 - Referred to Committee Senate Workforce and Higher Education
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-340>
- SB343** **FY23-24 CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS (DOLAN M)** To declare the General Assembly's intent to enact legislation making capital appropriations for the biennium ending June 30, 2024.
Current Status: 5/31/2022 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, Senate Finance, (Second Hearing)
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-343>
- SB348** **SERS MEMBERSHIP DETERMINATION PROCEDURE (REINEKE W)** To establish a School Employees Retirement System membership determination procedure and to limit the amount that the retirement system can charge for late contributions.
Current Status: 6/1/2022 - Referred to Committee Senate Insurance
State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-348>
- SB356** **EDUCATION - DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS (BRENNER A)** Regarding the education of children experiencing developmental delays and state operating funding for districts and schools educating them.



Current Status: 12/6/2022 - Senate Primary and Secondary Education,
(Third Hearing)

State Bill Page: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-356>



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