



LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

June 1, 2020

This has been a very busy time in the Ohio House and Senate (as well as the federal level!). The business of the legislator has been interrupted by both the novel corona virus and the civic unrest of last week and over the weekend. The normal schedule of consideration of bills has been interrupted by special legislation proposed to meet the various crises that face us. Note that HB 164 is one of the “omnibus” type bills. It has been passed and sent to the Governor. No committee meetings are currently scheduled for next week.

DELIVERED TO THE GOVERNOR

HB 11

Track

PRENATAL CARE (MANNING, G., HOWSE, S.)

Regarding tobacco cessation and prenatal initiatives and to make an appropriation.

HB 65

Track

CHILD CARE (CARFAGNA, R.)

Regarding parental notice of serious risks to the health or safety of children receiving child care and to allow certified swimming classes to take place at a private residential swimming pool without requiring the pool's operator to obtain a public swimming pool license and to declare an emergency.

HB 164

Tracked

EDUCATION LAWS (GINTER, T.)

Regarding student religious expression, regarding retention under the Third Grade Reading Guarantee for the 2020-2021 school year, to make changes to education law for the 2020-2021 school year in response to implications of COVID-19, to require the Department of Education to make an additional payment in fiscal year 2020 or 2021 to certain city, local, exempted village, and joint vocational school districts that experience a decrease in the taxable value of the district's utility tangible personal property and have at least one power plant in their territories, to permit a person to serve on more than five community school governing authorities under certain conditions, to extend until November 30, 2022, the moratorium on the building code requirement for storm shelters for school construction projects, to make changes regarding the Quality Community School Support Program, to provide an additional payment for fiscal year 2020 to school districts that experience a specified reduction in funding, to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2019," to make an appropriation, and to declare an emergency.



Referred to House Primary & Secondary Education Committee:

HB 683

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS ([Perales, R.](#))

To establish scholarships for children of full-time United States military service members to attend chartered nonpublic schools and to make an appropriation.

HB 684

ACADEMIC CONTENT ([Hood, R.](#), [Brinkman, T.](#))

To revise the law with regard to the state academic content standards and primary and secondary education assessments and teacher evaluations, to create the Legislative Office of Education Oversight, and to make other changes regarding the operation of primary and secondary schools.

HB 686

SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS ([Sobecki, L.](#), [Crossman, J.](#))

To waive state testing requirements for the 2020-2021 school year, to provide exemptions from state report cards and other provisions related to test results, and to declare an emergency.

SB 248

STORM SHELTERS ([Schaffer, T.](#))

To extend until November 30, 2022, the moratorium on the building code requirement for storm shelters for school construction projects.

REFERRED TO SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Education

SB 319

EDUCATION LAWS ([Huffman, M.](#))

To make changes to education law for the 2020-2021



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school year in response to implications of COVID-19, to require the Department of Education to make an additional payment in fiscal year 2020 or 2021 to certain school districts that experience a decrease in the taxable value of the district's utility tangible personal property, to permit furloughing of certain school employees through June 30, 2021, and to declare an emergency.