

Representative Hambley's Highlights of the 132nd General Assembly

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In the first half of 2018, members of the 132nd General Assembly have moved quickly to address many of the needs and concerns of our constituents. Bills protecting our children, regulating high-volume “puppy mills,” improving the water quality of Lake Erie, enhancing public education and increasing the oversight of community schools, found their way to the Governor’s desk and were signed into law. Many others are in mid-process, as we mark the end of the “Third Quarter” for the General Assembly, awaiting further action in the Ohio Senate. A number of the bills, which I am a primary sponsor, originated from constituents of the 69th district bringing their concerns to me and were successfully enacted. I have included a legislative score card in addition to some notable bill summaries for your information.

As always, if you have any interest or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Have a Great Summer and God Bless You All

Steve Hambley

SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

Co-Sponsor: Sub. HB 478—Promote 5G Wireless Infrastructure (Rep Smith, Rep LaTourette)

Modifies the law regarding wireless service and the placement of small cell wireless facilities in the public way, while giving local communities significant influence, rights and privileges. Protects the integrity of residential and historic locations. Ensures that access to and occupancy or use of public ways in such districts is technologically and aesthetically appropriate.

Co-Sponsor: HB 263—Pups on the Patio. (Rep Lanese) Generally allows the owner of a retail food establishment or food service operation to allow dogs in an outdoor dining area of the establishment or operation. Food establishment must still comply with all sanitation standards established in the Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code. Prohibits a person from bringing a dog in an outdoor dining area of an establishment or operation if the dog is not properly vaccinated in accordance with all state and local laws.

Co-Sponsor: Sub. HB 506 (Rep Hill) Revises the law governing high volume dog breeders and other dog-related professionals and facilities. Establishes standards of care, require annual registration for animal rescue of dogs, and imposes civil penalties for violating laws governing high-volume commercial dog breeders. Exempts animal shelters for dogs from the law governing high-volume dog breeders.

Co-Sponsor: SB 299—“Clean Lake 2020 Plan.” (Sen Gardner, Sen O'Brien) Provides more than \$36 million in additional funding for a variety of programs aimed at supporting the lake and reducing toxic algae. Nearly two-thirds of that funding will go to the Department of Agriculture for soil and water conservation districts and to the Water Phosphorous Program for activities such as soil testing, tributary monitoring, water and drainage management, and an agricultural phosphorous reduction loan program. The remaining funding will be invested in the Department of Higher Education and the Ohio Sea Grant Program for the construction of a new lab space at the Stone Laboratory and to buy in-lake monitoring equipment.

Sub. HB 8—Protects Identities of Minors in School Bus Accident Reports (Rep Hambley, Rep Rezabek)

Exempts 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, allows the parent or guardian of the minor to request a record of the accident containing the exempted information, and exempts certain protected health information from the Public Records Law.

Sub. HB 21—Reforms Community School Enrollment Verification (Rep Hambley) Makes changes regarding the verification of community school enrollments, prescribes an annual public comment period for the community school sponsor evaluation system, exempts certain chartered nonpublic schools from state testing and graduation requirements, prescribes a one-year moratorium on the building code requirement for schools to have 250 mph storm shelters (*per Brunswick City Local School District request*), eliminates the current Education Management Information System (EMIS) Advisory Board, and requires the Department of Education to establish a new EMIS Advisory Council.

Sub. HB 438—Educational Service Center Improvements (Rep Hambley, Rep Kick) Permits the addition of appointed members to educational service center boards, permits 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, authorizes educational service centers to establish local professional development committees, and modifies eligibility for community school classroom facilities grants.



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OTHER PENDING CO-SPONSORED LEGISLATION

Co-Sponsor: HB 479—Standardizing pharmacy benefit managers, pharmacists, and the disclosure to patients of drug price information. (Rep Lipps, Rep West). House Bill 479 would expand access to affordable prescription drugs by increasing price transparency and ensuring a fair payment process for pharmacies and patients. Status: House (93-0), pending in Senate.

Co-Sponsor: HB 535—Opioid Data and Communication Expansion Act. (Rep Gavarone) Increases data collection related to the opioid crisis. House Bill 535 requires hospitals to report monthly to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) the number of drug overdoses brought to the hospital and whether the overdose was fatal or non-fatal. Increased data will help expand education, intervention, treatment and recovery supports, while prioritizing services where needed most. Status: House (88-0), pending in Senate.

Co-Sponsor: HB 552—Regulate chemical capture and euthanasia of domestic animals. (Rep LaTourette) Specifically, prohibits an animal shelter from destroying a domestic animal by use of carbon monoxide gas chamber. Status: House (89-4), pending in Senate.

REP HAMBLEY THIRD-QUARTER LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

Bill	Description	House Committee	House Approval	Senate Committee	Senate Approval
HB 8	Exempt school vehicle traffic accident records of children from the Public Records Law	Passed (11-0)	Passed (85-2)	Passed (9-1)	Passed (29-0)
HB 21	Verify Community School Enrollments	Passed (16-0)	Passed (94-0)	Passed (10-0)	Passed (31-0)
HB 22	US Army Sgt James F Allen III Memorial Highway	Passed (11-0)	Passed (96-0)	** Included in SB 134 and Enacted	
HB 34	Alternative delivery of certified mail notices by ordinary mail or electronically	Passed (12-0)	Passed (94-0)	Passed (10-0)	Passed (30-0)
HB 60	Allow optional Enhanced Driver Licenses to facilitate crossing into Canada, Mexico, and Caribbean	Passed (12-2)	Passed (90-4)	Pending	
HB 122	Study regional economic development alliances; modify D5L Liquor permits for designated Downtown Revitalization Areas in Medina and Delaware Counties	Passed (13-0)	Passed (91-6)	Passed (10-0)	Passed (32-0)
HB 134	Allow Medina County Sales Tax community improvement grants to Black River School District	Passed (14-0)	** Included in HB 49 Operating Budget and Enacted		
HB 147	Update and Change humane society laws	Passed (11-0)	Pending		
HB 185	Expand political contribution income tax credit	Pending			
HB 216	Grant sales tax trade-in credit for buying used motor vehicles	Pending			
HB 255	Township traffic enforcement on interstates and prohibition of traffic cameras on interstates	Pending			
HB 282	Prohibit criminal mischief against residential rental property	Pending			
HB 344	Create Medina County Bicentennial license plate	Passed (14-0)	** Included in SB 134 and Enacted		
HB 438	Address composition of County Educational Service Centers Boards of Education	Passed (18-0)	Passed (96-0)	Passed (10-0)	Passed (31-0)
HB 509	Promote the use of Ohio-produced agricultural goods grown for inclusion in craft beer or cider through Ohio Proud Craft Beer program.	Pending			
HB 530	Authorize local elected officers that have levied a hotel lodging excise tax to simultaneously hold the position of member of the board of trustees of a convention and visitors' bureau.	Pending	* * Included in HB 18 and Passed by Senate (32-0)		
HB 543	Allows a county prosecuting attorney to contract with a regional airport authority, port authority, or regional planning commission to be its legal adviser with Board of County Commissioners' approval.	Passed (11-0)	Passed (79-0)	* * Included in HB 34 and Passed by Senate (30-0)	
HB 705	Alters the circumstances in which treasurers of school district and educational service center may be held personally liable for a loss of public funds.	Pending			

Legislative Score: 18 Bills Introduced, 11 Passed House Committee, 11 Passed House, 1 pending Senate approval and 10 Passed by Senate