



# Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

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## TOP ADVOCACY ITEMS

<i>Priority</i>	<i>Status</i>
<p><b>Highlight the Valuable Roles Duties, and Rights of Local Governments</b></p>	<p>MORPC Executive Director William Murdock submitted opponent testimony on House Bill 371 to the Ohio House Ways and Means Committee, which proposes a property tax exemption for increased value of unimproved land subdivided for residential development from the time that the land is subdivided to the time that either residential construction begins, or the land is sold.</p> <p>MORPC joined a coalition of local government advocates that are opposed to House Bill 371. As a result of its position, MORPC was invited to an interested parties’ meeting to discuss the legislation; the bill is analogous to Senate Bill 235, a bill that proposed to freeze the taxable value of commercial property that MORPC and a coalition of local government advocates were successful in defeating.</p> <p>MORPC Regional Data &amp; Mapping Director Aaron Schill submitted testimony to the House Finance Committee in support of House Bill 3 — legislation that creates a DataOhio board and specifies the posting of public record data. Schill also submitted testimony to the House Finance committee in support of House Bill 378, which creates a grant program for the expansion of broadband into unserved areas.</p> <p>Communities and businesses can submit project request descriptions, that they would like funded by the state capital bill, to their local State Representative by Wednesday, January 3, 2018. The Ohio Senate has also requested that potential recipients submit projects to the appropriate State Senator along a similar timeline. If you have any questions regarding the capital budget process, please contact Joe Garrity at <a href="mailto:jgarrity@morpc.org">jgarrity@morpc.org</a> or at 614-233-4127.</p>
<p><b>Promote Energy Efficiency and an Abundant Supply of Safe, Reliable, and Affordable Sources of Energy for our Growing Region</b></p>	<p>MORPC Energy &amp; Air Quality Director Christina O’Keeffe provided written opposition testimony to the Ohio Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee on House Bill 114. O’Keeffe expressed MORPC’s opposition to the elimination of the state’s energy efficiency requirements, how opt outs lead to increased costs, and how energy efficiency benchmarks would be reduced to 17.2 percent from 22.2 percent by 2027 in the bill.</p> <p>MORPC supports inserting language into the bill that would increase the available federal funding available to the Ohio Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP), specifically requesting the annual transfer of LIHEAP funding (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, or “HEAP”) to be maxed out at 25% (from 20%) allowable under the program requirements and believes the bill can be enhanced by including incentives in the bill such as energy special improvement districts (E-SIDS).</p> <p>MORPC staff will continue to monitor the bill and will continue to seek common ground on this critical issue for our region and state.</p> <p>Also, MORPC is evaluating Senate Bill 264, introduced by Senator Matt Dolan, that reduces the state’s setback requirements for wind turbines.</p>



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<p><b>Establish MORPC as Top Resource on Transportation Issues</b></p>	<p>House Resolution 236, supporting Hyperloop technology in the state of Ohio, was passed by the Ohio House. A similar resolution in the Senate was passed in September. MORPC Transportation Systems &amp; Funding Director Thea Walsh had testified in support of both resolutions.</p> <p>House Bill 95 which would create an enhanced driving penalty for “distracted driving” that only comes into play when a driver is pulled over for another moving violation, was voted out of the Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs Committee unanimously a few weeks ago. The bill was voted out of the House in June and MORPC Executive Director William Murdock submitted written proponent testimony to both the House and Senate committees. Senate President Larry Obhof said he needs to further discuss the bill with his caucus prior to a vote on the senate floor.</p>
<p><b>Seek Federal Funding for Regional Projects</b></p>	<p>Federal grant applications were recently submitted for the following projects within the region:</p> <p>Rickenbacker Inland Port Workforce Access Improvements – This \$25 million TIGER application targets several major components to improve workforce access and relieve congestion in the Rickenbacker Inland Port area, including widening Alum Creek Drive and providing transit and pedestrian safety enhancements for area employees. The total project cost is \$37.4 million and the application was submitted by the Columbus Regional Airport Authority with many local partners.</p> <p>Rickenbacker Inland Port Access Improvements – This INFRA application requests \$57.2 million toward a \$123 million package of three improvements identified to ensure continued growth and connectivity of the Rickenbacker Inland Port. It includes connection to I-270 with the widening of Alum Creek Drive, connection to US 23 with an interchange at SR762, and completion of the local road network including Rickenbacker Parkway. The application was submitted by the Ohio Department of Transportation with many local partners.</p> <p>I-71 &amp; US36/SR37 Interchange – This \$30 million INFRA request is for the improved interchange at I-71 and US36/SR37 and the proposed Sunbury Parkway. The \$161 million project is geared toward reducing congestion, improving east-west connectivity, and unlocking economic growth. The application was submitted by the Ohio Department of Transportation.</p>



## TOP NEWS

### ***Agriculture***

Ohio farmers have a reason to be optimistic even amid lagging profits from corn and soybeans, according to an agricultural economist from the Ohio State University (OSU) College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). Farm incomes are expected to increase this year nationally for the first time in four years, said Ani Katchova, an associate professor in the OSU Department of Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics.

### ***Ballot Issues***

The Ballot Board unanimously certified two proposed constitutional amendments as containing only one amendment each, clearing the way for backers to begin collecting signatures. The amendments titled the "Initiative and Referendum Amendment for Counties and Townships" and the "Ohio Community Rights Amendment," were both brought by the Ohio Community Rights Network, who say they want to secure the authority of communities to enact stronger environmental rights and protections than those recognized in state, federal or international law.

### ***Education***

Eight schools throughout Ohio are the first recognized by the state as Purple Star schools, a designation marking their "major commitment to serving students and family connected to our nation's armed forces." The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) and Superintendent Paolo DeMaria recently announced the Purple Star award recipients, who will maintain their designations for two years, then must reapply for continued recognition. Schools recognized included the following: Hamilton Township High School, Hamilton Local Schools, Franklin County; Liberty Middle School, Olentangy Local Schools, Delaware County.

The Columbus Board of Education recently appointed John Stanford as the interim superintendent/CEO of Columbus City Schools following the retirement of Dan Good at the end of December. Stanford's appointment is effective Jan. 1, 2018.

### ***Elections 2018***

Secretary of State Jon Husted ended his bid for governor and joined Attorney General Mike DeWine's campaign as his running mate, saying it is about service and doing what's right for the state. Both men also said they had heard from Republicans all across the state to end intraparty fighting and work together. Opponents quickly began attacking the pairing. U.S. Rep. Jim Renacci (R-Wadsworth) posted a video to Twitter saying that "two career politicians have joined forces." Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor called a press conference to reaffirm her candidacy, saying, "I think many thought that this was going to chase some out of this race, or chase me out, but voters have a choice because I'm in this race." Renacci announced that Cincinnati City Councilmember Amy Murray will join his ticket as the lieutenant governor candidate.

Former Ohio Attorney General Richard Cordray became the sixth Democrat to enter the governor's race, announcing at Lilly's Kitchen Table in his hometown of Grove City that he will be focusing "on the kitchen table issues that keep families up at night, like the cost of health care and college, how to find that better job and how to save for retirement."

Sen. Troy Balderson (R-Zanesville) announced that he would run to replace outgoing U.S. Rep. Pat Tiberi (R-Columbus). "I will fight for our interests, our jobs and for a government that stays out of the way," Balderson wrote on Facebook.



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Sen. Kevin Bacon (R-Minerva Park) announced that he would also be running for the 12th House District, saying his track record as a lawmaker and his “brand of leadership” will help distinguish his candidacy and provide what voters want in Washington. Other candidates in the race include Delaware County Prosecutor Carol O’Brien, real estate investor and U.S. Army veteran Jon Halverstadt of Worthington, and Brandon Grisez of Worthington, a Marine. So far, former Franklin County Sheriff Zach Scott has entered the race as a Democrat along with Ed Albertson of Granville, John Russell of Galena, John Peters of Newark and Doug Wilson of Mansfield.

### ***Energy***

The number of people working in clean energy industries throughout Ohio is 105,443, a more than 4 percent increase since 2015, according to an analysis from Clean Energy Trust and business group Environmental Entrepreneurs (E2). “Job growth across sectors including renewable energy generation, advanced grid, energy efficiency, clean fuels, and advanced transportation is occurring almost six times faster than overall job growth in the state,” according to the 2017 Clean Jobs Midwest report.

### ***General Assembly/Statehouse***

Rep. Wes Goodman (R-Cardington) suddenly resigned after House Speaker Cliff Rosenberger told the freshman lawmaker to due to “inappropriate behavior related to his state office.” Rosenberger announced the resignation, saying he was told the details of the behavior.

Rep. Niraj Antani (R-Miamisburg) announced that he is reintroducing legislation that would declare video taken by body-worn cameras used by police as public records, but would also outline exemptions for some of that video. Antani said that the bill seeks to find a balance between protecting privacy of individuals and private businesses and the public’s right to records. He said lawmakers need to make sure that the law follows new technology, and body cameras are a new technology where the law is still ambiguous, especially when it comes to public records.

Senate President Larry Obhof (R-Medina) appointed Sen. Bob Hackett (R-London) as chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, in the wake of former Chairman Sen. Cliff Hite’s (R-Findlay) resignation for inappropriate conduct.

### ***Insurance***

A recent Progressive Insurance study shows about one-third of drivers feel confident in their own ability to text and drive, yet the majority believe distracted driving is the biggest cause of auto accidents and more than 90 percent say it should be illegal. The starkest difference in attitudes is between younger and older drivers. More than 60 percent of 18-34 year olds are confident in their ability to safely text while driving compared to less than 6 percent of individuals 55 and older.

### ***Local Government***

Because many local governments are at risk of theft and other misuse of government credit and debit cards, Auditor of State Dave Yost has released a “Best Practices” newsletter on minimizing the risk of credit card abuse.



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### *Pensions*

The Ohio Retirement Study Council discussed a recent proposal from the state's largest pension system to curtail inflationary payments to retirees, prompted by a report from council staff analyzing how the proposal meshes with longstanding council principles on pension governance. Last month, the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees endorsed a proposal to lower cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) from a fixed 3 percent to a variable increase tied to the U.S. Consumer Price Index (CPI), capped at 2.25 percent.

### *Public Safety*

Ohio will get a wireless broadband network to connect public safety agencies as part of FirstNet, an effort led by the U.S. Department of Commerce. AT&T will build, operate and maintain the "highly secure" network.

### *Transportation*

An expert panel before the House Transportation and Public Safety Committee informed lawmakers of the myriad impacts that could result from widespread use of driverless vehicles and driver-assisted vehicles, touching on safety measures, concerns of increased unemployment and social effects resulting from what they perceived as probable technological advances.

### *Utilities*

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) says it's taking a forward-looking approach to new technologies and services with the overhaul of administrative rules governing utility customers who generate their own electricity and sell back a portion to the grid - otherwise known as net metering. In Chairman Asim Haque's absence, the commission approved rules prescribing the size of qualifying facilities and the rates local utilities will pay consumers for the excess electricity they generate. PUCO will submit final net metering rules for Ohio Administrative Code 4901:1-10-28 to the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR).

The House Public Utilities Committee will launch a series of hearings on HB247's (Romanchuk) push to eliminate electric security plans and non-bypassable bill riders that slow the competitive market. Chairman Robert Cupp (R-Lima) told the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) Governing Board that Rep. Mark Romanchuk's (R-Mansfield) watershed legislation will be a top consideration going into the final weeks of 2017.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) accepted the results of AEP Ohio's wholesale auction that will determine its default generation rates beginning June 1, 2018. The auction, held on Nov. 28, 2017 secured one-, two- and three-year products to supply electricity to AEP Ohio's utility customers. The results will be blended with future auctions to establish a price-to-compare for AEP Ohio's customers during the delivery period.

### *Workforce*

The Franklin County commissioners have approved contracts with the Columbus/Central Ohio Building and Construction Trades Council and local service provider Impact Community Action to administer a pilot program designed to help county residents transition into apprentice programs that lead to well-paying skilled construction trades careers. The program, called Building Futures, will provide both "soft skills" and trade-specific training before culminating in apprenticeship entrance assessment. Participants may progress directly from this program to a traditional apprenticeship in one of the skilled construction trades.



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- HB3** DATAOHIO BOARD CREATION (DUFFEY M, HAGAN C) To create the DataOhio Board, to specify requirements for posting public records online, to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices, to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov, to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program, and to make appropriations.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Finance, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-3>
- HB9** MALFUNCTIONING LIGHTS-BICYCLES (KOEHLER K) To specify that the alternative protocol for proceeding into an intersection with malfunctioning traffic lights due to a failure of a vehicle detector applies only to bicycles.  
*Current Status:* 4/30/2017 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; Effective 4/30/17  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-9>
- HB10** INTRASTATE EQUITY CROWDFUNDING (ARNDT S) To permit intrastate equity crowdfunding under certain circumstances.  
*Current Status:* 12/13/2017 - Senate Transportation, Commerce and Workforce, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-10>
- HB26** TRANSPORTATION-PUBLIC SAFETY BUDGET (MCCOLLEY R) To make appropriations for programs related to transportation and public safety for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of those programs.  
*Current Status:* 3/31/2017 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; Some provisions line-item vetoed, eff. 90 days  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-26>
- HB49** OPERATING BUDGET (SMITH R) Creates FY 2018-2019 main operating budget.  
*Current Status:* 8/22/2017 - Consideration of Governor's Veto  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-49>
- HB53** PUBLIC EMPLOYEES-MEMBER DUES (BECKER J) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit public employers from requiring public employees to join or pay dues to any employee organization, to prohibit an employee organization from being required to represent public employees who are not members of the employee organization, and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 2/14/2017 - Referred to Committee House Finance  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-53>
- HB54** STATE REVENUE OBLIGATIONS (BLESSING III L, GAVARONE T) To authorize the Treasurer of State to issue revenue obligations of the state for the purpose of making loans to qualifying public entities for their acquisition of permanent improvements through the Treasurer of State's purchase of public obligations of those qualifying entities.  
*Current Status:* 9/26/2017 - BILL AMENDED, Senate Finance, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-54>



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- HB62** WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (PATTERSON J, SHEEHY M) To require the Director of Agriculture to adopt rules establishing the Ohio Water Quality Improvement Program, to exempt land enrolled in the Program from taxation, and to reimburse local taxing units for revenue lost due to that exemption.  
*Current Status:* 5/10/2017 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-62>
- HB69** LEVY REVENUE REIMBURSEMENT (CUPP B) To require reimbursement of certain township fire and emergency medical service levy revenue forgone because of the creation of a municipal tax increment financing district.  
*Current Status:* 12/13/2017 - Senate Ways and Means, (Seventh Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-69>
- HB70** FUEL TAX TRANSPARENCY (MERRIN D) To enact the “Fuel Tax Transparency Act” requiring stickers to be placed on retail service station pumps displaying the rates of federal and state taxes applicable to gasoline and diesel fuel.  
*Current Status:* 3/15/2017 - House Government Accountability and Oversight, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-70>
- HB95** DISTRACTED DRIVING PENALTY (HUGHES J, SEITZ B) To establish an enhanced penalty for committing a moving violation while distracted if the distraction is the apparent cause of the violation and to reenact provisions of law that specified that certain electronic wireless communications device violations were allied offenses of similar import.  
*Current Status:* 10/24/2017 - REPORTED OUT, Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-95>
- HB103** FISCAL EMERGENCY PROVISIONS (REINEKE W) To modify the composition and powers of the financial planning and supervision commission of a political subdivision that is in a state of fiscal emergency and to clarify the duties of that political subdivision.  
*Current Status:* 7/17/2017 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; Eff. 90 days  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-103>
- HB107** FREIGHT TRAIN CREWS (SHEEHY M, LEPORE-HAGAN M) To require the crews of freight trains to consist of at least two individuals.  
*Current Status:* 3/29/2017 - House Transportation and Public Safety, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-107>
- HB114** RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARDS (BLESSING III L) To revise the provisions governing renewable energy, energy efficiency, and peak demand reduction and to alter funding allocations under the Home Energy Assistance Program.  
*Current Status:* 10/18/2017 - Senate Energy and Natural Resources, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-114>



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- HB121** PIPE MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS (EDWARDS J) To require a public authority to consider all piping materials that meet the engineering specifications for a state-funded water or waste water project.  
*Current Status:* 11/1/2017 - BILL AMENDED, House State and Local Government, (Fifth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-121>
- HB122** ESTABLISH ECONOMIC STUDY COMMITTEE (HAMBLEY S, ROGERS J) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - Senate Government Oversight and Reform, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-122>
- HB125** TRAFFIC ORDINANCE JURISDICTIONS (CRAIG H, SEITZ B) To specify the jurisdiction of municipal and county courts over municipal traffic ordinances and to establish requirements governing fines, fees, or other charges for traffic violations and infractions imposed by a municipal corporation that does not have the authority to establish a mayor's court.  
*Current Status:* 9/26/2017 - BILL AMENDED, Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-125>
- HB139** PUBLIC RECORD DISCLOSURE EXEMPTIONS (PERALES R, KELLER C) To eliminate the public disclosure exemption for any permanently retained record 100 years after the date of its creation.  
*Current Status:* 10/24/2017 - House State and Local Government, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-139>
- HB144** STATIONARY WASTE COLLECTION VEHICLES (GREEN D, ROGERS J) To require motor vehicle operators to take certain actions upon approaching a stationary waste collection vehicle collecting refuse on a roadside.  
*Current Status:* 5/10/2017 - House Government Accountability and Oversight, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-144>
- HB163** PREVAILING WAGE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (ROEGNER K, RIEDEL C) 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:* 9/19/2017 - House Economic Development, Commerce and Labor, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-163>
- HB175** LIVESTOCK ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY (BRINKMAN T) To allow an owner of residential property to keep, harbor, breed, or maintain small livestock on the property, and to prohibit zoning authorities from regulating certain agricultural activities conducted on residential property for noncommercial purposes.  
*Current Status:* 5/10/2017 - House Agriculture and Rural Development, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-175>



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- HB179** IMMIGRATION LAW COMPLIANCE (KELLER C) To require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, to prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, to provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency.  
*Current Status:* 5/1/2017 - Referred to Committee House Government Accountability and Oversight  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-179>
- HB190** RAILROAD CROSSING REQUIREMENTS (LEPORE-HAGAN M, SCHURING K) To require vehicle operators to watch, listen, and stop for on-track equipment that may be approaching a railroad crossing.  
*Current Status:* 12/13/2017 - House Transportation and Public Safety, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-190>
- HB207** TRAFFIC PHOTO RESTRICTION-EMERGENCY SERVICES (PATTON T) To prohibit a municipal corporation or township that does not operate either a fire department or an emergency medical services organization from utilizing traffic law photo-monitoring devices.  
*Current Status:* 5/31/2017 - House State and Local Government, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-207>
- HB208** TRAFFIC PHOTO RESTRICTION-LOW POPULATION (PATTON T) To prohibit a local authority with a population of 200 or fewer from utilizing traffic law photomonitoring devices.  
*Current Status:* 5/31/2017 - House State and Local Government, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-208>
- HB210** TRAFFIC PHOTO RESTRICTION-REVENUE LIMIT (PATTON T) To prohibit a local authority from deriving more than 30 per cent of the total annual revenue of the local authority from the issuance of tickets for traffic law violations based on evidence recorded by traffic law photo-monitoring devices.  
*Current Status:* 5/31/2017 - House State and Local Government, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-210>
- HB219** SPEED LIMIT SIGN DISTANCES (BOCCIERI J) To specify that a speed limit becomes effective at a reasonable distance from the appropriate sign giving notice of the speed limit.  
*Current Status:* 11/8/2017 - House Transportation and Public Safety, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-219>
- HB221** PRIVATE PROPERTY SEWER AND WATER (HOLMES G) To expressly include, as eligible projects under the State Capital Improvements Program administered by the Ohio Public Works Commission, water and sewer laterals located on private property.  
*Current Status:* 5/23/2017 - Referred to Committee House Finance  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-221>



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- HB233** HANDGUN DECRIMINALIZATION-LEAVING UPON REQUEST (BECKER J) To enact the “Decriminalization Effort For Ending Notorious Deaths (DEFEND)” to provide an opportunity for a concealed handgun licensee or qualified military member to avoid guilt for carrying a concealed handgun into a prohibited place if the person leaves upon request, and to penalize as disorderly conduct failing to leave upon request or returning with a firearm.  
*Current Status:* 9/20/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Government Oversight and Reform  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-233>
- HB236** MODEL ELEVATOR LAW (PATTON T, CUPP B) To enact the Model Elevator Law.  
*Current Status:* 9/19/2017 - House Economic Development, Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-236>
- HB247** ELECTRIC UTILITY CONSUMER PROTECTION (ROMANCHUK M) To require refunds to utility customers who have been improperly charged, to eliminate electric security plans and require all electric standard service offers to be delivered through market-rate offers, and to strengthen corporate separation requirements.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Public Utilities, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-247>
- HB250** ELECTRIC BIKE REQUIREMENTS (BRINKMAN T) To establish requirements for the use of electric bicycles.  
*Current Status:* 12/13/2017 - House Transportation and Public Safety, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-250>
- HB251** BOND AND OBLIGATION MATURATION (GREENSPAN D) To increase from five to ten years the maturity period of other political subdivision’s bonds and obligations eligible for investment of a subdivision’s interim moneys.  
*Current Status:* 11/15/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-251>
- HB253** OFF DUTY FIREARM CARRY (HOUSEHOLDER L, LANESE L) To permit law enforcement officers to carry firearms off duty in places otherwise prohibited for concealed handgun licensees.  
*Current Status:* 9/19/2017 - House Federalism and Interstate Relations, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-253>
- HB256** COMMERCIAL SERVICE AIR HUBS (BUTLER, JR. J, ZELTWANGER P) To create the Major Air Hub Council, to require the Council to construct two commercial service airports, one in Fayette County and one in Portage County, and to create the Southern Ohio Airport Authority and the Northern Ohio Airport Authority to operate the airports.  
*Current Status:* 9/20/2017 - House Transportation and Public Safety, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-256>



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- HB262** INDEPENDENT BUDGET PROCESS (BUTLER, JR. J, ROMANCHUK M) To provide for the preparation of a state biennial budget independent of that submitted by the Governor and to authorize the Legislative Service Commission, upon the request of the Speaker of the House of Representatives or the President of the Senate, to arrange for an independent actuarial review of a proposed bill, specified analyses of economic policy initiatives and state benchmarking data, and a study of the state's long-range financial outlook.  
*Current Status:* 6/20/2017 - Referred to Committee House Government Accountability and Oversight  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-262>
- HB263** OUTDOOR DINING-DOGS (LANESE L) To generally allow an owner, keeper, or harbinger of a dog to take the dog in an outdoor dining area of a retail food establishment or food service operation.  
*Current Status:* 11/28/2017 - SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED, House Economic Development, Commerce and Labor, (Fifth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-263>
- HB281** BROADBAND EXPANSION PROGRAM (CARFAGNA R) To establish the residential broadband expansion program within the Development Services Agency to award matching grants for last mile broadband expansion in municipal corporations and townships and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Finance, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-281>
- HB286** PALLIATIVE CARE PROGRAMS (LATOURETTE S) To create the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Council, to establish the Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program, and to require health care facilities to identify patients and residents who could benefit from palliative care.  
*Current Status:* 11/29/2017 - PASSED BY HOUSE; Vote 91-0  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-286>
- HB292** STATE OF RESIDENCE TEST (SCHERER G) To modify the test for determining an individual's state of residence for income tax purposes.  
*Current Status:* 11/15/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-292>
- HB310** ELECTED OFFICIAL CONCEALED CARRY (VITALE N) To permit an elected officeholder of this state or a political subdivision of this state who holds a valid concealed handgun license to carry a concealed handgun in a government facility of this state or a political subdivision of this state.  
*Current Status:* 9/12/2017 - Referred to Committee House Federalism and Interstate Relations  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-310>
- HB312** LOCAL GOVERNMENT CREDIT CARDS (SCHURING K, GREENSPAN D) Regarding use of credit cards and debit cards by political subdivisions.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - PASSED BY HOUSE; Vote 95-0  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-312>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- HB323** GARBAGE COLLECTION FEES (PATTERSON J) To authorize all municipal corporations that charge a garbage collection fee to certify unpaid amounts to the county auditor, who must enter the fees on the property tax list to be collected in the same manner as real property taxes.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - REPORTED OUT, House State and Local Government, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-323>
- HB343** PROPERTY VALUE CONTEST-RESOLUTIONS (MERRIN D) To require local governments that contest property values to formally pass an authorizing resolution for each contest and to notify property owners.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Ways and Means, (Fifth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-343>
- HB361** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINTS TIMEFRAME (GREENSPAN D) To increase the time within which boards of revision must decide property tax complaints.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - REPORTED OUT, House Government Accountability and Oversight, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-361>
- HB371** TAXES ON UNSOLD PROPERTY (MERRIN D) To exempt from property taxation the increased value of land subdivided for residential development until construction commences or the land is sold.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Ways and Means, (Fifth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-371>
- HB373** CONCEALED HANDGUN IN COURTROOMS (VITALE N) To permit any person who holds a valid concealed handgun license to carry a concealed handgun in a courthouse, a courtroom, or a government facility of this state or in a government facility of a political subdivision of this state if the political subdivision has not enacted an ordinance or policy that prohibits a licensee from carrying a concealed handgun into the building or the court has not enacted a rule that prohibits a licensee from carrying a deadly weapon or dangerous ordnance into the courthouse or courtroom.  
*Current Status:* 10/17/2017 - Referred to Committee House Federalism and Interstate Relations  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-373>
- HB378** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT (SMITH R, CERA J) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Finance, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-378>
- HB390** EVICTION TIMELINES (MERRIN D) To clarify how to calculate certain timelines under which a forcible entry and detainer action must occur.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House Financial Institutions, Housing and Urban Development, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-390>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- HB391** RESTITUTION-COST OF ACCOUNTING (MERRIN D) To include the cost of accounting done to determine the extent of economic loss as a type of economic loss for which restitution may be granted.  
*Current Status:* 11/14/2017 - House Criminal Justice, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-391>
- HB410** COUNTY & MUNICIPAL COURTS-TRAFFIC LAW CIVIL ACTION (SEITZ B, BUTLER, JR. J) To grant municipal and county courts original and exclusive jurisdiction over any civil action concerning a traffic law violation, to specify that the court require an advance deposit for the filing of specified civil actions by the local authority bringing the civil action, and to modify the reporting requirements and LGF withholding that apply to subdivisions that operate traffic law photo-monitoring devices.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - House Government Accountability and Oversight, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-410>
- HB415** LOCAL GOV ROAD IMPROVEMENT (GREENSPAN D, RYAN S) To allocate one-half of any surplus revenue to a new Local Government Road Improvement Fund, from which money will be distributed directly to local governments to fund road improvements.  
*Current Status:* 12/12/2017 - House State and Local Government, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-415>
- HB419** EMERGENCY VEHICLE LIGHTS AND SIRENS (HENNE M) To modify the defense to the liability of a member of a police or fire department or emergency medical service of a political subdivision for the negligent operation of a motor vehicle in response to an emergency by requiring that the vehicle has its lights and sirens simultaneously activated.  
*Current Status:* 12/6/2017 - House Civil Justice, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-419>
- HB422** MUNICIPAL WATER-WORKS ACQUISITIONS (GINTER T, ROGERS J) To govern acquisitions of municipal waterworks and sewage disposal system companies by certain larger nonmunicipal water-works or sewage disposal system companies.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - House Energy and Natural Resources, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-422>
- HB425** POLICE BODY CAMERAS-PUBLIC RECORDS (ANTANI N, CRAIG H) To provide that specified portions of peace officers' body-worn camera recordings and the infrastructure record of a public school are not public records for purposes of the Public Records Law.  
*Current Status:* 11/28/2017 - Referred to Committee House Government Accountability and Oversight  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-425>
- HB430** SALES TAX EXEMPTION-OIL AND GAS PRODUCTION (SCHAFFER T) To expand the scope of a sales and use tax exemption for certain kinds of property used in the production of oil and gas.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - House Government Accountability and Oversight, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-430>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- HB436** NEIGHBORHOOD STOP SIGNS & SPEED LIMITS (BOGGS K, LELAND D) To permit a local resident, neighborhood association, or neighborhood organization to request the erection of a stop sign at an intersection and to support a request for a lower prima facie speed limit on certain streets and highways.  
*Current Status:* 12/4/2017 - Introduced  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-436>
- HR85** FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL OVERHAUL (YOUNG R) To respectfully urge Congress and President Donald Trump to amend the Federal Clean Air Act to eliminate the requirement to implement the E-Check Program and direct the Administrator of USEPA to begin new rulemaking procedures under the Administrative Procedures Act to repeal and replace the 2015 National Ambient Air Quality Standards; to respectfully urge Congress and President Donald Trump to pass legislation to achieve improvements in air quality more efficiently while allowing companies to innovate and help the economy grow; to urge the Administrator of USEPA to alleviate burdensome requirements of the E-Check Program and the Clean Air Act if Congress and the President fail to act; and to encourage OEPA to explore alternatives to ECheck in Ohio.  
*Current Status:* 5/24/2017 - ADOPTED BY HOUSE; Vote 72-25  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HR-85>
- HR236** SUPPORT HYPERLOOP TRANSPORTATION (HUGHES J) To express support for the Hyperloop Transportation Initiative.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - ADOPTED BY HOUSE; Vote 90-3  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HR-236>
- SB2** ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTIONS LAWS (HITE C) To revise specified laws relating to environmental protection.  
*Current Status:* 7/7/2017 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; eff. 90 days  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-2>
- SB6** OHIO BRIDGE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOAGLAND F) To extend the Ohio Bridge Partnership Program through the end of fiscal year 2019 and to require the Director of Transportation to submit a report to the Governor, Senate, and House of Representatives recommending ways to continue to fund the program.  
*Current Status:* 12/13/2017 - House Transportation and Public Safety, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-6>
- SB13** RECORDING LAW ENFORCEMENT (TAVARES C) To grant a person the right to lawfully record any incident involving a law enforcement officer and to impose civil liability upon the state or a local law enforcement agency if a law enforcement officer employed by the state or local law enforcement agency interferes with the recording of the incident, destroys the recording, seizes the recording without a warrant or subpoena or the person's consent, or retaliates against the person who recorded the incident.  
*Current Status:* 2/1/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-13>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- SB17** LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUND ALLOCATION (TAVARES C) To increase monthly allocations to the Local Government Fund from 1.66% to 3.68% of the total tax revenue credited to the General Revenue Fund each month.  
*Current Status:* 2/1/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-17>
- SB19** PROSECUTING ATTORNEY RESTRICTIONS (THOMAS C) To prohibit prosecuting attorneys of counties with a population of 400,001 or more from engaging in the private practice of law.  
*Current Status:* 2/22/2017 - Senate Government Oversight and Reform, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-19>
- SB30** VEHICLE RESOLUTIONS BY COUNTIES (EKLUND J) To authorize counties to adopt resolutions regulating motor vehicle traffic on county and township roads.  
*Current Status:* 2/14/2017 - Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-30>
- SB31** HEALTH RULE WITHDRAW PROCESS (EKLUND J) To authorize a board of county commissioners or municipal legislative authority to elect to withdraw the county or municipal corporation from the application of any rule adopted by the Department of Health after January 1, 2014, that governs the design of household sewage treatment systems.  
*Current Status:* 10/18/2017 - BILL AMENDED, Senate Energy and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-31>
- SB43** TOWNSHIP BUILDING CODES (BACON K) To enable limited home rule townships to adopt building codes regardless of any similar codes adopted by the county in which the township resides.  
*Current Status:* 6/27/2017 - REPORTED OUT, Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-43>
- SB51** LAKE ERIE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SKINDELL M, EKLUND J) To authorize the creation of a special improvement district to facilitate Lake Erie shoreline improvement.  
*Current Status:* 9/27/2017 - Senate Energy and Natural Resources, (Fourth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-51>
- SB59** BICYCLE USE-HELMETS (SKINDELL M) To require bicycle operators and passengers under 18 years of age to wear protective helmets when the bicycle is operated on a roadway and to establish the Bicycle Safety Fund to be used by the Department of Public Safety to assist low-income families in the purchase of bicycle helmets.  
*Current Status:* 3/28/2017 - Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-59>
- SB61** PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION (SKINDELL M) To make appropriations related to public transportation.  
*Current Status:* 12/13/2017 - Senate Transportation, Commerce and Workforce, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-61>



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- SB72** PREVAILING WAGE LAW (HUFFMAN M) 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:* 3/7/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-72>
- SB74** FREIGHT TRAIN CREWS (YUKO K, SKINDELL M) To require the crews of freight trains to consist of at least two individuals.  
*Current Status:* 5/4/2017 - Senate Public Utilities, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-74>
- SB75** WATER SERVICE PROPERTY LIENS (BROWN E) Regarding property liens for unpaid county or municipal water service charges.  
*Current Status:* 3/7/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Energy and Natural Resources  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-75>
- SB95** STATE PROJECTS-PIPING MATERIALS (TERHAR L) To require a public authority to consider all piping materials that meet the engineering specifications for a state-funded water or waste water project.  
*Current Status:* 10/25/2017 - Senate Energy and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-95>
- SB97** REGIONAL STUDY COMMITTEE CREATION (LAROSE F, YUKO K) To establish a Regional Economic Development Alliance Study Committee to study the benefits and challenges involved in creating regional economic development alliances.  
*Current Status:* 6/21/2017 - Senate Government Oversight and Reform, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-97>
- SB103** COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS (COLEY W) To permit a board of county commissioners, as an alternative to entering into an agreement to establish a countywide emergency management agency, to enter into a contract of not longer than four years with the county sheriff or a chief of a fire department that has countywide authority to implement a countywide emergency management program.  
*Current Status:* 6/27/2017 - Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-103>
- SB111** SCHOOL ZONE SIGN LIGHTS (TAVARES C) To require school zones to be indicated by signs equipped with flashing or other lights or that indicate the times during which the restrictive speed limit is enforced, and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 4/26/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Government Oversight and Reform  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-111>
- SB112** GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (SCHIAVONI J) To establish the green infrastructure fund and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 9/6/2017 - Senate Finance, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-112>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- SB113** VEHICLE REGISTRATION TAX (COLEY W) To levy an additional registration tax on passenger cars, noncommercial motor vehicles, and commercial cars and trucks beginning on January 1, 2020; to authorize a per-gallon motor fuel retail price reduction for consumers that is equal to the state per-gallon motor fuel tax of \$.28; and to exempt each gallon of motor fuel that is sold at the reduced retail price from the state motor fuel tax.  
*Current Status:* 9/20/2017 - Senate Ways and Means, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-113>
- SB123** PROPERTY TAX COMPLAINT PROCESS (COLEY W) To limit the right to initiate most types of property tax complaints to the property owner and the county recorder of the county in which the property is located.  
*Current Status:* 6/14/2017 - Senate Ways and Means, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-123>
- SB127** WASTE COLLECTION VEHICLE PROTECTIONS (LAROSE F) To require motor vehicle operators to take certain actions upon approaching a stationary waste collection vehicle collecting refuse on a roadside.  
*Current Status:* 10/31/2017 - Referred to Committee House Government Accountability and Oversight  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-127>
- SB155** ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION COST RECOVERY (TERHAR L, PETERSON B) To allow electric distribution utilities to recover costs for a national security generation resource.  
*Current Status:* 10/12/2017 - Senate Public Utilities, (Sixth Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-155>
- SB176** MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX RESTRICTIONS (JORDAN K) To prohibit municipal corporations from levying an income tax on nonresidents' compensation for personal services or on net profits from a sole proprietorship owned by a nonresident.  
*Current Status:* 9/7/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-176>
- SB181** UNPAID MUNICIPAL GARBAGE FEES (O'BRIEN S, YUKO K) To authorize all municipal corporations that charge a garbage collection fee to certify unpaid amounts to the county auditor, who must enter the fees on the property tax list to be collected in the same manner as real property taxes.  
*Current Status:* 11/29/2017 - Senate Ways and Means, (Third Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-181>
- SB182** OUTDOOR DINING-DOGS (COLEY W) To generally allow an owner, keeper, or harbinger of a dog to take the dog in an outdoor dining area of a retail food establishment or food service operation.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - Senate Health, Human Services and Medicaid, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-182>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- SB184** WIND FARM SETBACK REQUIREMENTS (SKINDELL M) To alter the minimum setback requirement for wind farms of five or more megawatts.  
*Current Status:* 9/27/2017 - Senate Energy and Natural Resources, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-184>
- SB186** BUSINESS INCOME CLASSIFICATION (PETERSON B) To provide that wages and guaranteed payments paid by a professional employer organization to the owner of a pass-through entity that has contracted with the organization may be considered business income.  
*Current Status:* 11/28/2017 - House Ways and Means, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-186>
- SB187** DELINQUENT MUNICIPAL INCOME TAXES (EKLUND J, WILSON S) To allow municipal corporations to charge delinquent taxpayers the costs of collecting municipal income taxes regardless of whether the costs are incurred before or after a judgment is entered against the taxpayer.  
*Current Status:* 11/7/2017 - Senate Finance, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-187>
- SB188** WIND TURBINE SETBACK REVISIONS (HITE C) To revise wind turbine setback provisions for economically significant wind farms.  
*Current Status:* 10/11/2017 - Senate Energy and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-188>
- SB199** OHIO BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT GRANTS (SCHIAVONI J, HITE C) To create the Ohio Broadband Development Grant Program and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 9/26/2017 - Introduced  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-199>
- SB203** MUNICIPAL TAX RULE REINSTATEMENT (DOLAN M) To reinstate the municipal income tax “throw-back rule” used in apportioning business income among municipalities.  
*Current Status:* 11/15/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-203>
- SB209** PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS-TIF (COLEY W, EKLUND J) To modify the conditions that determine the relative priority of property tax exemptions when a parcel subject to a tax increment financing arrangement concurrently qualifies for another exemption.  
*Current Status:* 10/25/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways and Means  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-209>
- SB210** AUXILIARY CONTAINER USEAGE (COLEY W, EKLUND J) To authorize a person to use an auxiliary container for any purpose, to prohibit a municipal corporation from imposing a tax or fee on auxiliary containers, and to clarify that the existing antilittering law applies to auxiliary containers.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - Senate Health, Human Services and Medicaid, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-210>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

- SB217** OIL, GAS REVISED ENFORCEMENT (SCHIAVONI J) To revise enforcement of the Oil and Gas Law, including increasing criminal penalties and requiring revocation of permits for violations of that Law relating to improper disposal of brine.  
*Current Status:* 11/15/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Energy and Natural Resources  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-217>
- SB228** WASTE FEE INCREASE (EKLUND J, SKINDELL M) To increase one of the state fees levied on the transfer or disposal of solid waste in Ohio, the proceeds of which are deposited into the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund, and to make an appropriation.  
*Current Status:* 11/29/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Energy and Natural Resources  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-228>
- SB238** WIND TURBINE SETBACKS (DOLAN M) Regarding wind turbine setbacks for wind farms of at least five megawatts.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - Introduced  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-238>
- SB239** REGIONAL COUNCILS OF GOVERNMENTS (DOLAN M) To modify the law concerning regional councils of governments.  
*Current Status:* 12/5/2017 - Introduced  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SB-239>
- SCR2** MUNICIPAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS (THOMAS C) To urge municipal corporations throughout the state to adopt a Municipal Identification Card Program.  
*Current Status:* 2/14/2017 - Senate Local Government, Public Safety and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SCR-2>
- SJR4** CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUNDING (SCHIAVONI J) 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 sewer and water capital improvements.  
*Current Status:* 9/6/2017 - Senate Finance, (First Hearing)  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SJR-4>
- SR19** RESCINDING IMMIGRATION EXECUTIVE ORDER (THOMAS C) To urge the Congress of the United States to enact legislation rescinding the January 27, 2017, presidential executive order regarding immigration and limiting the authority of the President of the United States to prohibit classes of persons from entering the United States.  
*Current Status:* 2/1/2017 - Referred to Committee Senate Government Oversight and Reform  
*State Bill Page:* <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SR-19>



## MORPC LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

**SR175** SUPPORTING HYPERLOOP TRANSPORTATION INITIATIVE (BACON K, KUNZE S) To express support for the Hyperloop Transportation Initiative.

**Current Status:** 9/20/2017 - ADOPTED BY SENATE; Vote 32-0

**State Bill Page:** <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-SR-175>

**SR263** HONORING DEFENSE SUPPLY CENTER (BACON K) Honoring the Defense Supply Center Columbus on earning the 2017 Commander-in-Chief's Annual Award for Installation Excellence.

**Current Status:** 8/15/2017 - Introduced

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