



HOUSE DISTRICT 45

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Dear Neighbor,

The 134th General Assembly is now in full swing. Committee assignments have been announced, bills are being filed nearly every week, and the budget process is underway. As committees begin to meet, I am looking forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to address the issues most important to my constituents. Everyday I work to represent not only the 125,000 plus dedicated constituents of House District 45, but advocate for bettering Ohio for all 11.5 million Ohioans.

Last month, I joined with my fellow House Democrats, surveying how we can make Ohio a better place to live, work, go to school, start a business, and raise a family. The response was overwhelming: Ohioans want a government that works for you by investing in our communities, our kids and our future. These concerns will be at the forefront for this General Assembly. Our priorities remain what they've always been — to put people before politics and work together to grow good paying jobs, build back our economy and restore the promise of opportunity for all Ohioans.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office should you have any questions or concerns you would like to share.

You public servant,

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Rep. Sobecki Committee Assignments 134th General Assembly

This GA, Rep. Sobecki will serve on the following committees:

Ways and Means – Ranking
Primary and Secondary Education
State and Local Government

Ohio Facilities Construction Commission, Non Voting
Member

Unemployment Compensation Modernization and Improvement Council

Unemployment / PUA – Important Tax & Fraud Update

If you received a tax 1099-G tax form but did not file for State UI or PUA, contact JFS at unemploymenthelp.ohio.gov/IdentityTheft

If you and need assistance contacting JFS, reach out to my office.

Rep. Sobecki was elected to be the Chair of the Ohio Democratic Women's Legislative Caucus



During this year's Black History Month, we take time to celebrate and reflect on the central role African-Americans have played in our nation's history. This year's theme is "Black Family: Representation, Identity & Diversity," which celebrates the strength, resilience, diversity and achievements of Black families. Across District 45 and the Greater Toledo Area, there are Black trailblazers whose legacies are everlasting and should never be forgotten.

Trailblazers such as Benjamin H. Fisher, who in 1913 was admitted to the Ohio Bar and was one of Toledo's first African American lawyers; or Jack Ford, a former Ohio State Lawmaker, Toledo's first African American Mayor, and Toledo Public School Board Member, he was one of my mentors when I first was elected to school board; or my colleague here in the House, Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson, who served as the first female African American mayor of Toledo. This is just a sample of the vast contributions Black men and women have made not just to our region, but our whole country.

One final thought, even when the month ends, we should continue to celebrate Black Men and Women's

historical achievements.

Are you or someone you know a patient of a medical professional, for example dentist, and are having difficulties obtaining a copy of your medical records? My office may be able to help.

COVID-19 Vaccine

To Register: <u>lucascountyhealth.com/covidvaccine</u>

If you don't not have internet access, a disability, or difficulty completing the form, call the Northwest Ohio United Way: 2-1-1

For More Information, call (419) 213-4100

If you have issues scheduling an apartment to receive the vaccine, please contact my office.

Rep. Sobecki presented a commendation to Brad McDonald, the founder, CEO, and an instructor at the Federal Aerospace Institute. The FAI provides training for mastering the skills needed to be

Five Things You Can Do To Help Stop The Spread of COVID-19

- 1. Wash Your Hands Consistently Throughout The Day
- 2. Avoid Unnecessary Person to Person Physical Contact, i.e. Handshakes, Hugs
- 3. Cough Into Your Elbow
- 4. Avoid Attending Large Group Events, like Sports Games or Social Gatherings
- 5. Stand 6 Feet or More Apart from Other People When in Public

For Up To Date COVID-19 Info: coronavirus.ohio.gov 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634) **Rep. Sobecki in the Press:** Here Are Highlights of Rep. Sobecki's Press Releases This Past Month:

aircraft technicians.

- Jan 22, 2021: Filed HB 40 to Cancel State Testing for Schools
- Jan 26 2021: Filed HB 43 to Permit Public Bodies to Meet Remotely Beyond COVID-19
- Jan 28, 2021: Announces \$100 Million for Rent, Utilities Assistance

All Press Releases can be accessed at ohiohouse.gov/members/lisa-a-sobecki/news.

Rep. Sobecki Also Filed This Month:

HB 19: Off. Dia Hwy; HB 24: Gene Kranz Day; HB 39: 21st Century Library Fund; HB 49: Reinstate Joint Edu Oversight Committee; HB 80: Off. Stalker Hwy

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