



## **HOUSE DISTRICT 45**

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Dear Neighbor,

At the Statehouse, we are still working on drawing new, fair congressional districts. Because the Redistricting Commission failed to pass a bipartisan, 10-year map by Oct. 31, the responsibility for redistricting has gone back to the General Assembly. The legislature can now either pass a bipartisan 10-year map or a short-term partisan map by **Nov. 30**.

Ohioans and Democrats still want to see a bipartisan, 10-year map that keeps our communities together and reflects the preferences of Ohio's voters. Fair districts means districts that do not have undue, unfair favoring of one party, and keep large cities together so Ohioans who live and work together can get the representation they deserve.

With fair districts, we can fund our schools fairly, create good paying jobs, and stop pushing through extremist legislation that does nothing but divide us.

To learn more about the redistricting process or to get involved, visit redistricting.ohio.gov.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions or concerns. You can contact my office at rep45@ohiohouse.gov or at (614) 644-6017.

Your Public Servant,

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Unemployment / PUA - Overpayment Waiver

Ohioans with Unemployment Overpayments are able to request a waiver. Visit unemploymenthelp.ohio.gov or contact my office at rep45@ohiohouse.gov or (614) 644-6017 for questions or assistance completing the waiver.

According to the CDC, over 95% of new COVID-19 infections due to the Delta Variant are among unvaccinated Americans. The Delta Variant is currently believed to more deadlier and spread more easily. The good news is that the current vaccines, now fully approved or soon to be, will protect you and your family. The more people around you who are vaccinated, the less likely it is for the virus to spread and mutate.

Contact my office at rep45@ohiohouse.gov or (614) 644-6017 if you have questions or need assistance scheduling your vaccine.



The Month of November is full of activities including the Small Business Saturday. Many small businesses still working towards recovering from the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, make sure to help your community by supporting a small business in your community on Small Business Saturday, November 27th. Small businesses make sup the backbone of Ohio's economy, compromising over 90% of all Ohio's businesses and employing half of the state's private-sector workforce. Despite recent progress made, there is still much work to do to encourage and support minority and women owned business. According to the 2019 Annual Business Survey conducted by the US Census Bureau, 18.3% of U.S. businesses are minority-owned and 19.9% are owned by women. Here in Ohio, currently the Department of Administrative Services has the Women Business Enterprise (WBE) program designed to encourage, nurture, and support the growth of women owned businesses. Additionally, the State of Ohio's Encouraging Diversity, Growth and Equity (EDGE) program is designed to assists socially and economically disadvantaged businesses obtaining state contracts. Additionally, the EDGE program has annual goals for state entities when awarding contracts to certified EDGE businesses. To learn more about what Ohio is doing, contact my office at rep45@ohiohouse.gov or (614) 644-6017.



Rep. Sobecki visited the POET Bioprocessing Facility in Marion, OH. Rep. Sobecki is seen here with the Plant Manager Rick Fox.

Rep. Sobecki presented a commendation to honor the "Jolly Rogers Sailing Club" on their 75th Anniversary.

Rep. Sobecki in the Press: Here Are Some of Rep. Sobecki's Press Releases from October:

- October 4, 2021: Encourages Ohio to joint Midwest Electric Vehicle Coalition
- October 26, 2021: Bill Bringing Ohio into an Electric Vehicles Future Clears Committee
- October 27, 2021: Encouraging the use of ARPA funding for Affordable Housing All Press Releases can be accessed at: <a href="https://doi.org/ncbe.gov/members/lisa-a-sobecki/news">ohiohouse.gov/members/lisa-a-sobecki/news</a>.

## Rep. Sobecki Bill Highlights:

- H.B. 292 Establishing the Electric Vehicle Commission was favorably reported out of the House Transportation and Public Safety Committee and now awaits a House Floor Vote.
- H.B. 432 Improving State Cyber Security after Date Breaches was referred to the House Technology and Innovation Committee and awaits hearings.

Stay up to date with all of Rep. Sobecki's legislation, including bills and resolutions by visiting her website or contacting her office. All Legislation can be accessed at: <a href="https://ohiohouse.gov/members/lisa-a-sobecki/legislation">ohiohouse.gov/members/lisa-a-sobecki/legislation</a>

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