



STATE REPRESENTATIVE JENA POWELL



INTRODUCTION

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

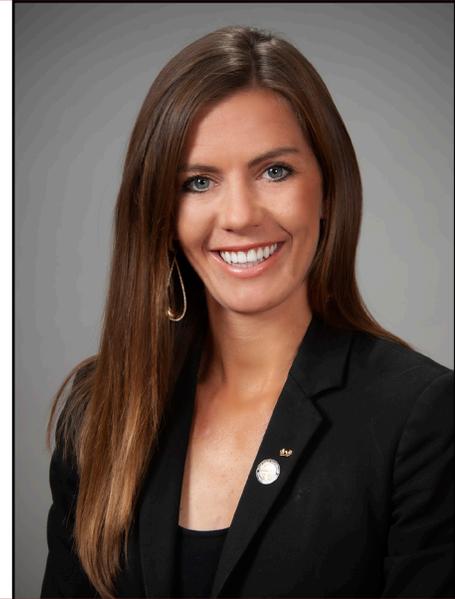
What a wonderful time to celebrate the birth of our Savior! We have so much to be thankful for.

Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity and responsibility to represent you here in Columbus. It is truly an honor, and one that I do not take lightly.

This year, I've been able to meet with so many of you either at the Statehouse for tours, meetings, or in the district for events. It is truly my pleasure to learn more about you and the ways I can best advocate for our community here in Columbus.

As we continue to work on important bills together, please do not hesitate to reach out to the office at any time with any questions or concerns about state government. I am here to serve you and it is truly an honor.

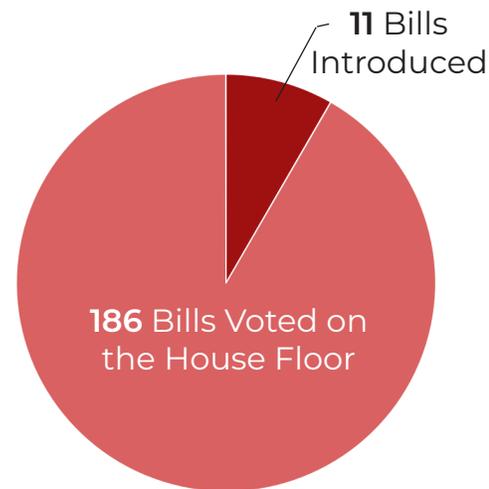
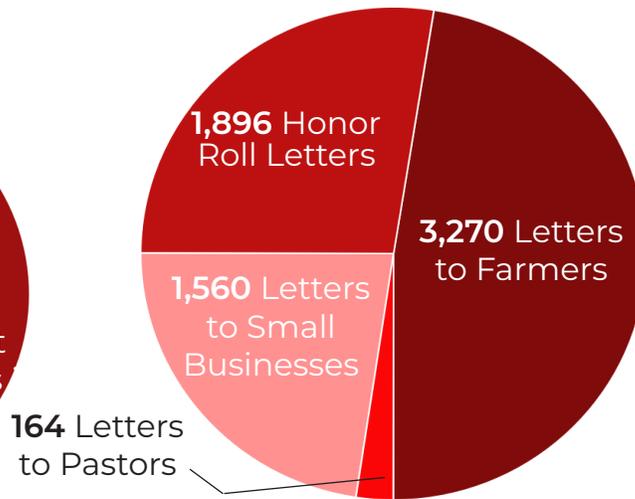
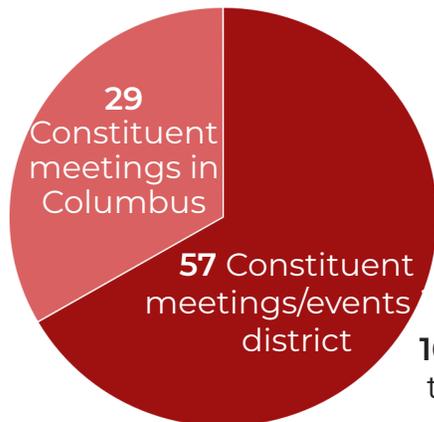
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2021 IN REVIEW

- ✓ **314 COMMENDATIONS** DELIVERED TO CONSTITUENTS
- ✓ **86 CONSTITUENT MEETINGS** HELD
- ✓ **14 TOURS** WITH CONSTITUENT/SCHOOL GROUPS
- ✓ **186 BILLS** VOTED ON THE HOUSE FLOOR
- ✓ **3 CONSTITUENT LUNCHEONS**
- ✓ **52 PRESS RELEASES** SENT TO THE MEDIA
- ✓ **29 EMAIL UPDATES** TO THE DISTRICT
- ✓ **194 CONSTITUENT CASES** SOLVED ACCROSS STATE AGENCIES
- ✓ **11 BILLS INTRODUCED** IN THE HOUSE

Nearly **100 constituent meetings** and almost **7,000 letters sent** in 2021!



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The bills that we have been working on uphold our conservative values. They are pro-business and pro-family bills that increase freedom for individuals and families in our state. Below are the bills I have introduced during our first year of the 134th General Assembly:

House Bill 64
COMBATTING FERTILITY FRAUD
✓ Second Hearing

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HB 64 - Fighting Fertility Fraud

Creates the crime of fraudulent assisted reproduction, making it a felony for doctors to use unapproved sperm in assisted reproductive procedures.

House Bill 202
REMOVES MASK MANDATE
✓ First Hearing

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HB 202 - Removing Mask Mandates

HB 202 removes DeWine's statewide mask mandate, and prohibits him from issuing future statewide mask mandate orders unless approved by the General Assembly to preserve individual liberties.

House Bill 249
CHARITABLE TAX CREDIT
✓ First Hearing

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HB 249 - Creates the Charitable Tax Credit

Allows Ohioans to claim a tax credit on their state income tax for donations to nonprofit organizations that spend at least 50% of their resources serving those who qualify for TANF funds.

House Bill 277
COSMETOLOGY & BARBER REFORM
✓ First Hearing

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HB 277 - Cosmetology & Barber Reform Act

Reduces the hour requirement for licenses, allows for distance learning and provides additional testing facilities to increase flexibility so that students can enter the beauty industry with less debt and fewer barriers.

House Bill 395
THE MCEI KIMRA SKELTON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY
✓ Reported out of Committee

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HB 395 - Honors Fallen OSHP Inspector, Kimra Skelton

This bill names a section of I-75 as the MCEI Kimra Skelton Memorial Highway in honor of her service and sacrifice after she passed away due to an accident while on duty.

House Bill 61
SAVE WOMEN'S SPORTS ACT
✓ Third Hearing

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HB 61 - Protecting Women's Sports

The Save Women's Sports Act enables women to be able to achieve their athletic dream in our state. This legislation is crucial to preserving women's rights and the integrity of women's and girls' sports.

House Bill 181
EXPANDED APPRENTICESHIP ACT
✓ First Hearing

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HB 181 - Expanded Apprenticeships Act

This bill strengthens Ohio's workforce by expanding apprenticeship programs that help individuals gain training and skills. This is a cost-effective and expedited way to help solve the workforce crisis.

House Bill 203
LICENSE RECOGNITION
✓ Fourth Hearing

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HB 203 - Making Ohio More Business-Friendly

HB 203 helps attract skilled workers and boost Ohio's economic competitiveness by recognizing out-of-state occupational licenses. This bill will reduce government regulation.

House Bill 276
HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROCEEDS ACT
✓ Third Hearing

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HB 276 - Combating Human Trafficking

This legislation aims to better target pimps and traffickers to aid in the fight against human sex trafficking by giving law enforcement more tools to combat the injustice of human trafficking across Ohio.

House Bill 329
TAXPAYER PROTECTION ACT AGAINST FRIVOLOUS VACCINE LOTTERIES
✓ Introduced in Ohio House

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HB 329 - Taxpayer Protection Against Vaccine Lottery Act

HB 329 prohibits vaccine lottery programs to avoid the frivolous waste of taxpayer dollars. This bill protects against reckless government spending.

House Bill 480
THE 2363 ACT
✓ Introduced in the Ohio House

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HB 480 - The 2363 Act Ending Abortion in Ohio

The 2363 Act is in honor of the 2,363 children who are lost every day in our country to abortion. This bill is about protecting our fundamental, constitutional right to be born and live.

HOUSE BILL 110: OHIO'S TWO-YEAR STATE BUDGET

The state budget bill makes smart investments in Ohio's public services while implementing tax reform that keeps more money in the pockets of Ohioans.

Providing Nearly \$2 Billion in Tax Relief

This budget includes a three percent across the board personal income tax cut. The bill also reduces the number of tax brackets from five to four, and eliminates the income tax for anyone making less than \$25,000 per year. Taxes are the People's money, not the government's money, and I believe implementing bolder tax cuts will yield even more positive results for Ohio.

Keeping and Creating Jobs

The budget plan includes important reforms to help make Ohio more competitive with other states so Ohio can keep the jobs it has and attract new jobs, new investment and new opportunity. In an effort to encourage investment in Ohio while incentivizing long-term employment in the state, the budget authorizes an income tax deduction for all or a portion of capital gains received by investors in Ohio-based "venture capital operating companies."

Funding Ohio's Police and First Responders

A number of grants and initiatives are included in H.B. 110 to promote public safety in our communities. This includes \$13 million for grants to support equipment, training and to enhance local emergency communication networks, as well as \$15 million for a one-year police training pilot program to assist law enforcement agencies with training costs.

Promoting School Choice

The bill also makes changes to the EdChoice voucher eligibility and enables more opportunities for new start-up charter schools. In addition, vouchers and charter schools will now be directly funded by the state.

Supporting Health Professionals

A provision in the budget states that medical professionals will not be forced to perform procedures that violate their religious beliefs or conscience.

Expanding Access to Broadband

H.B. 110 includes \$250 million to support grants under the Ohio Residential Expansion Grant Program and the Ohio Broadband Expansion Program Authority. This plan targets the problem of last mile to connectivity to households where it remains cost-prohibitive for private providers to otherwise extend their service.



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