

#### State Representative Jennifer Gross

# **MAY ISSUE**

#### The Ohio House of Representatives



# Please join State Representative Jennifer Gross for her next Town Hall Meeting in May!

Where: Fairfield City Council Chambers - 5350 Pleasant Avenue, Fairfield, Ohio 45014

When: Friday, May 17th from 5:30-6:30 PM

This will be a time to meet with the Representative to discuss current priorities and legislative updates. Representative Gross is looking forward to seeing you there!

# District 45 Happenings



Representative Gross visited Cincinnati Radiator. Cincinnati Radiator, based in Fairfield, Ohio, manufactures and services radiators and coolers for various industries and is a part of the manufacturing strength of Butler County.



Representative Gross also toured the Aveda Fredric's Institute in West Chester. She enjoyed learning about the cosmetology school's emphasis on the relationship between personal beauty, wellness, and the environment.



Representative Gross was delighted to welcome The Green Farm Juicery to the community. The Green Farm Juicery aims to provide nutrition through their organic juice blends.

### Legislative Updates



# House Bill 70 Passed Out of the House

HB 70, joint sponsored by Representative Gross and Representative Fowler Arthur, was voted out of the Ohio House with overwhelming bipartisan support, 92-1. If enacted, HB 70 would require schools to adopt a policy on administering over-the-counter medications to students.

"Parents know their child's medical history best," said Gross. "This bill will directly foster collaboration between parents and schools, ultimately protecting the health and safety of Ohio children."

HB 70 has been referred to the Senate Education Committee where it awaits its first hearing.



# House Bill 73 Received 1st Hearing in Senate Health Committee

Representative Gross gave sponsor testimony for HB 73 – the Dave and Angie Patient and Health Provider Protection Act – in the Ohio Senate Health Committee.

The bill will provide four overarching protections for healthcare providers and patients:

- Protect Ohio citizens' access to potentially lifesaving off-label medications
- Protect a prescribing healthcare providers, pharmacy, or pharmacists' ability to fill off-label prescriptions
- Protect the free speech of health providers and their right to express independent medical opinions when they differ from that of health and licensing agencies
- Protect patients from being denied nutrition or standard daily medications in the hospital if they do not consent to a particular protocol for treatment

"HB 73 is life-saving legislation that provides the medical freedom needed for prescribers and patients to direct their care and optimize health outcomes," said Gross.

## Rep. Report

"In April, I attended a "Call to the Capitols" event at the Ohio Statehouse. The #DontMessWithOurKids movement recently encouraged a nationwide coalition of prayer at every state capitol.

The movement focuses on children's medical care, the right to worship, and the right to freedom of speech. I am committed to standing up for parent's and children's rights so that we may all continue to live in a free Ohio and flourish as Americans."

