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Dear District 14 Resident:

In my continuous work to fight for more affordable and dependable utilities for those I serve, I recently testified at an evidentiary hearing before the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (P.U.C.O.) to oppose a proposal from FirstEnergy that would weaken electric reliability standards.

The company is asking regulators for permission to extend the average time it takes to restore power after outages and, in some cases, increase the number of outages that would be considered acceptable each year. In its own filings, FirstEnergy acknowledged that its reliability performance has declined in recent years. Rather than raising the bar to improve service, the proposal would lower the standards they are expected to meet.

During the hearing, I spoke about the real-life impact that prolonged power outages have on residents in our community—particularly seniors and people with disabilities. In many cases, electricity is not simply about comfort; it is essential for health and safety. I became emotional while describing neighbors in my district who rely on powered medical equipment, elevators in multi-story buildings, and other critical services that stop when the power goes out.

“There are moments in public service when policy becomes personal,” I told the Commission. “When the power goes out for some of my seniors and wheelchair-bound residents, it is not an inconvenience—it is a threat.”

I also read into the official record a letter from Parma city councilwoman Deborah Lime describing how extended outages have affected the residents she serves.

Lowering reliability standards because a company has struggled to meet them sends the wrong message. Ohioans have invested heavily in improving the electric grid, and customers deserve dependable service, accountability, and measurable results—not a reduced standard.

The case is still pending before the Commission, and I will continue advocating for strong reliability standards that protect our residents. You can read my full testimony here: dis.puc.state.oh.us/DocumentRecord.aspx?DocID=3ff5fbf0-a9e2-4e06-b4d3-3cd6f31ad76a

Thank you for allowing me to serve you. As always, if my office may be of assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out. Best wishes for a blessed spring.

Sincerely,

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Recently, I had the honor to meet with the leadership team from the Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association (O.P.B.A.) at my Statehouse office to discuss policies that are important to our law enforcement officers in Ohio.

State Representative Sean Patrick Brennan Calls for Responsible Stewardship of Ohio's Public Lands

COLUMBUS — **State Rep. Sean Patrick Brennan (D-Parma)** today expressed serious concerns following actions by the Oil and Gas Land Management Commission (O.G.L.M.C.) to extend lease terms and approve additional oil and gas development and fracking on Ohio's public lands, including state parks and wildlife areas.

"Ohio's parks and wildlife areas were set aside to be protected and enjoyed by families, sportsmen, hikers, and future generations," said **Rep. Brennan**. "Regardless of party, we should be able to agree that these lands deserve careful stewardship and thoughtful decision-making."



The commission approved a bid allowing energy development in portions of the Leesville Wildlife Area in Carroll County and advanced plans to open additional public land for future leasing in Belmont and Harrison counties. The actions followed a public hearing where Ohioans from across the state raised concerns about environmental impacts, water quality, recreational access, and long-term land management.

"This is not an anti-business position," continued **Rep. Brennan**. "Ohio's energy sector plays an important role in our economy. But there is a clear difference between responsible development and placing industrial operations on land that was specifically designated for conservation and public use."

Rep. Brennan emphasized the importance of balancing economic opportunity with environmental protection and community interests. "We can support economic growth while also respecting property held in trust for the public," added **Rep. Brennan**. "Once public land is altered, those impacts can last for decades. That reality deserves a cautious, commonsense approach."

Rep. Brennan also called for greater transparency and public engagement in decisions involving public land use. "Open dialogue and public input strengthen good government and lead to better outcomes," said **Rep. Brennan**.

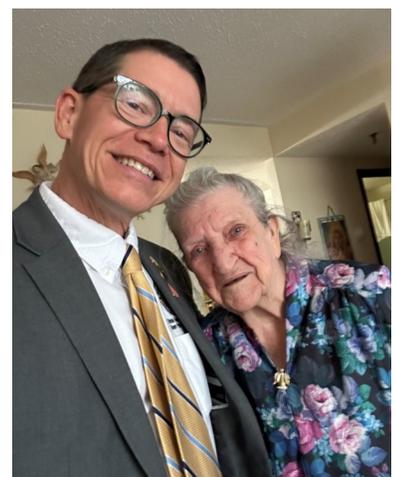
Rep. Brennan reaffirmed his commitment to policies that promote conservation, outdoor recreation, clean water, and long-term economic sustainability. "Protecting Ohio's natural resources is not a partisan issue," concluded **Rep. Brennan**. "It's about responsibility, stewardship, and leaving our state better than we found it."

State Representative Sean Patrick Brennan Seeks Assistance Recognizing Constituents

One of the most enjoyable aspects of my position as State Representative is commending constituents for their achievements. Whether it is a significant birthday or wedding anniversary, teachers or students doing great things in the classroom, personal achievements, community service, a significant personal milestone or that of a community organization, or the opening of a new business, I am constantly on the lookout for individuals and entities deserving of being recognized by my Statehouse office, such as **Mrs. Lula Worth** of Old Brooklyn who recently turned 100! I invite you to reach out to my office to provide us with your suggestions regarding commendations for those deserving of recognition.

Please call in or send your commendation ideas to State Rep. Sean Patrick Brennan's office at

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State Representative Sean Patrick Brennan Honored for His Work for Veterans and Public Education

COLUMBUS - **State Representative Sean Patrick Brennan** was recently recognized with two major honors highlighting his advocacy for both Ohio's veterans and public education.

Rep. Brennan was named **Legislator of the Year** by the AMVETS Department of Ohio, recognizing his leadership and commitment to supporting veterans and military families across the state. The award is presented annually by AMVETS, one of the nation's largest congressionally chartered veterans service organizations, to legislators who demonstrate strong support for those who have served.

"I am deeply honored to receive this recognition from AMVETS Ohio," **Rep. Brennan** said. "As a former public educator and now as a state representative, I have always believed we have a solemn responsibility to support the men and women who defended our freedoms. Our veterans deserve access to the benefits they earned, protection from bad actors, and the full respect of a grateful state."

Before serving in the Ohio House of Representatives, **Rep. Brennan** spent 30 years as a public school teacher, where he taught American history and government and helped students understand civic responsibility and the sacrifices made by generations of Americans in defense of democracy. He has also remained personally involved in honoring veterans through organizations such as Honor Flight Cleveland and Honor Bus Cleveland, which recognize and celebrate the service of Northeast Ohio veterans.

In addition to the AMVETS honor, **Rep. Brennan** also received the "**Friend of Education**" Award from the Ohio Federation of Teachers (OFT) for his steadfast advocacy on behalf of Ohio's students, educators, and public schools.

"As someone who spent 30 years in our public schools, this recognition is especially meaningful to me," **Rep. Brennan** said. "I've seen firsthand the dedication of Ohio's teachers and school staff. They go above and beyond every day for their students. I will always fight to ensure they have the resources, respect, and support they deserve."

During his time in the General Assembly, **Rep. Brennan** has championed policies that invest in public education, support career-technical and workforce pathways, and strengthen local schools and communities.

Together, the two honors reflect **Rep. Brennan's** ongoing commitment to standing up for those who serve—both in the classroom and in uniform—and to building stronger communities across Ohio.



State Rep. Sean Patrick Brennan receiving awards from Amvets Department of Ohio top brass and Cleveland Teachers Union (CTU) President Shari Obrenski.



Honesty for Ohio Education has asked that I encourage my constituents to complete their adult or student survey to help them in their endeavor to do their part to strengthen public education in the Buckeye State. Here is the link to the survey:

www.honestyforohioeducation.org/strong-ohio-schools

State Rep. Brennan Out & About in District 14 Parma, Parma Heights, and Cleveland



L-R (Top to Bottom) *The Parma Police Auxiliary work side by side the Parma Police to keep our community safe. *Meeting with Padua High School students to talk about how they can get more civically engaged. *Attending a fundraiser for the Parma Police S.W.A.T. team. *I often visit the schools in the district to show my appreciation, speak to students, and discuss education policy. *Speaking to students at Parma City Hall. *Meeting with Parma Education Association President Norm Baker to discuss issues affecting our teachers and the students they serve. *Enjoying a Parma Pint at the Schnitz Ale kickoff of the 200th birthday of Parma. *Meeting with residents at the Deaconess Krafft Center in Old Brooklyn. *Enjoying lunch and a delicious non-alcoholic beverage at Clark-Fulton's CentroVilla 25. *Meeting with and speaking to my friends at the North Shore AFL-CIO. *Welcoming First Watch on Ridge Road to Parma.

