

A LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM STATE REP. MICHELE GRIM

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Michele Grim is a strong voice for northwest Ohio, representing the 43rd District (encompassing part of Lucas County) in the Ohio House.

Dear Neighbor,

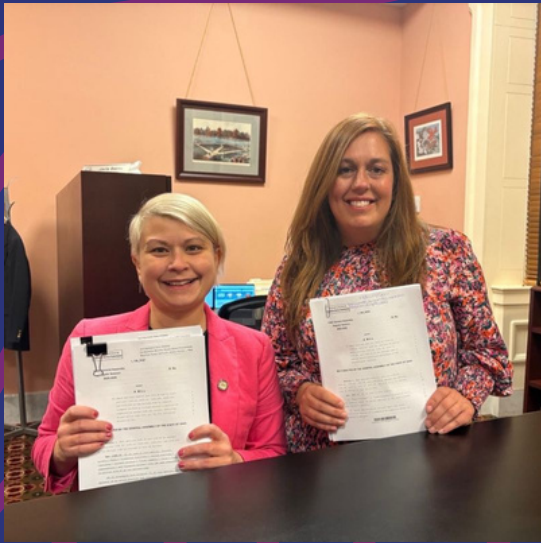
More than 71,000 people in Lucas County - including 31,500 children - will lose their SNAP benefits on November 1 if the government shutdown continues. These are our neighbors, friends, and family members. In Columbus, I am working with my colleagues to urge the Governor to use funding, typically described as "Rainy Day" funds - to ensure that all Ohioans can continue to access the food and care they need.

For those looking for assistance or looking for guidance on how to show their support, please see resources below. Residents can also reach our office at 614-644-6017, or rep43@ohiohouse.gov for more information.

- SeaGate Food Bank
- Toledo Northwestern Ohio Food Bank
- United Way of Greater Toledo
- Islamic Food Bank

With the federal government at a standstill, Ohio can act. Lawmakers should put people over politics and make sure no Ohioan goes hungry because of inaction in Washington.

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Statehouse Activity



In October I was honored to provide sponsor testimony for **House Bill 289, The Ohio Health Care Plan**, with my joint sponsor, **Representative Tristan Rader (D-Lakewood)**.

HB 289 would establish **single payer healthcare for all Ohioans**.



This month I introduced the **Child Performer Protection Act and the Kid Influencer Protection Act** with **Representative Lauren McNally (D-Youngstown)**.

These bills make sure kids in Ohio are **protected, supported, and paid for their work** - and not exploited for clicks or profit.

District Spotlight



Every corner of our Toledo Lucas County Public Library system is full of people learning, connecting, and building community. Our libraries do incredible work and I'll always be a partner fighting for them in Columbus.

Honored to visit with the Aurora Project, who offer a comprehensive housing and life skills program that empowers homeless women and their children to achieve self-sufficiency and independence.



PASSED COMMITTEE

136th General Assembly

House Bill 148:

Establish tax refund designation for spaying, neutering pets

Michele Grim
State Representative
House District 43



House Bill 148 unanimously passed out of the House Agriculture Committee on October 22nd.

This **bipartisan** legislation will authorize the Ohio Pet Fund as an option for individuals to contribute a portion, or all, of their Ohio income tax refund.

The Ohio Pet Fund has awarded grants to qualified shelters, humane societies, and dog wardens for 20 years!