

A LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM STATE REP. MICHELE GRIM

SUMMER
BREAK
EDITION

A photograph of Michele Grim, a woman with short blonde hair, wearing a black jacket and a patterned scarf, speaking at a podium with a microphone. She is gesturing with her right hand. In the background, a water bottle is visible on a table.

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

Dear Neighbor,

As autumn officially begins and we reflect on a summer season of fun, community, and organizing, I encourage you to begin preparing for the **General Election on Tuesday, November 3rd**.

The future of our state is in Ohioan's hands; make sure you are ready to vote and make your voice heard. Do you need to register to vote, update your registration, or find your early vote location? All of that information is available on voteohio.gov.

The right to vote is the foundation of our democracy—whether you vote absentee, early, or on Election Day, make your plan today to vote.

Michele

Legislative Update

While the 136th General Assembly is winding down, I am continuing to introduce a wide variety of legislation!

The Medical Shortage Protection Act House Bill 940

Drug shortages have become increasingly common. Cancer drugs, liquid antibiotics, basic supplies like syringes and inhaler parts. The list keeps growing. Those shortages aren't the fault of patients.

They're the result of failures in the pharmaceutical supply chain. Yet too many pharmaceutical and insurance companies have seized on those shortages as an opportunity to pad profits.

When a medication gets scarce, they can raise the price because they know patients can't go without it.

I've introduced **House Bill 940, the Medical Shortage Protection Act**, to stop that.

Representatives Cockley, Grim

To amend sections 1345.99 and 3901.99 and to enact sections 1345.033 and 3901.216 of the Revised Code to prohibit certain increases in the prices of, and cost sharing for, prescription drugs and drug therapy related devices and supplies during a shortage and to name this act the Medical Shortage Protection Act.

IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 1345.99 and 3901.99 be amended sections 1345.033 and 3901.216 of the Revised Code be read as follows:

1345.033. (A) As used in this section, "supplier" means a manufacturer.

for which there is a shortage

The Rideshare Sexual Assault Prevention Act House Bill 980

Current law leaves too many gaps that put Ohioans at risk. Anyone using a rideshare service deserves to know that every reasonable step has been taken to protect their safety.

Sexual assault involving rideshare platforms is a serious concern, and it's our responsibility as lawmakers to close these gaps and ensure transportation network companies are held to stronger safety standards,

As Introduced

General Assembly
Regular Session
2025-2026

H. B. No. 980

Representatives Grim, Baker

Sponsors: Representatives Synenberg, Lett, Brownlee, Somani, Brennan

In The District and Across the State!



- Whitmer Middle School Opening
- Lutheran Social Services Groundbreaking
- Receiving Legislator Award from RAINN



- Battle of the Bacon at the State Fair
- Tour of Habitat for Humanity
- My Annual Cookie Drop-Off to Local Schools

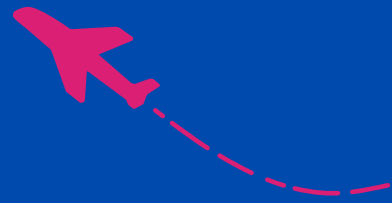


- FilmToledo Opening
- JeepFest
- Lott Industries Anniversary



With the Legislature on break, this summer gave me the perfect opportunity to engage with members of our community and learn even more about the organizations that make **District 43 a special place to live, work, and raise a family.**

2026 National Conference of State Legislatures Legislative Summit in Chicago



At the NCSL Summit this summer I had the opportunity to spend time with colleagues, advocates, and hear from exciting speakers!



Women in Government Medicaid Policy Symposium in Washington D.C.

Honored to have spent a week with my fellow legislator, Rep. Rachel Baker, tapping into the national conversation surrounding anticipated Medicaid cuts.

States will need to pursue creative solutions for constituents losing access to healthcare.

