

A legislative update from

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From the Desk of Representative Hall

Dear Neighbor,

Welcome to the second and final year of the 136th General Assembly! I want to welcome all of our new constituents to our monthly newsletter! Each month, you will learn about the different holidays my office honors, what is happening at the Statehouse, and events happening in my House District 34. If there is a particular topic you would like to learn about, we are always open to suggestions!

In February, my office honored Black History Month, 2-1-1 Day, National Organ Donor Day, Valentines Day, and Presidents Day. To become an organ donor, visit donatelife.ohio.gov or register at the BMV when you renew your driver's license!

The Ohio House resumed committee and session meetings just a few weeks ago. We expect to be in session until the end of March, working on the Capital Budget and various legislation. I am excited to continue my work as the Ranking Member of the House Insurance Committee, and I hope you will follow along with my updates and continue sharing your thoughts with my office!

In this month's newsletter, you will learn more about helpful community resources, events I have attended in District 34, and meetings at the Statehouse, including some Statehouse Advocacy Days. If you ever have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out! I would be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Here are some ways my office can assist you:

- Disputes with state government agencies
- Ohio House commendations, condolences, and congratulatory letters
- Proposing bill ideas and law changes
- Connecting you or your business to state programs or services

Helpful Contacts:

- United Way of Summit and Medina: 2-1-1
- Summit County Veterans Service Office: (330) 643-2830
- BMV: (844) 644-6268
- Summit County Board of Elections: (330) 643-5200
- Summit County Job & Family Services: (844) 640-6446
- Community Legal Aid: (330) 535-4191
- Ohio Consumers' Counsel: (614) 466-8574
- Unemployment Compensation Hotline: (877) 644-6562

Representative Hall in the Community!

Stow-Munroe Falls Town Hall

This month, I joined Senator Weinstein and Mayor Pribonic for a Town Hall at the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library. There, I shared some updates about recently-passed bills, legislation that I am working on, and ways for constituents to stay involved with the work we do at the Statehouse.



Ohio Pharmacist Legislation Day

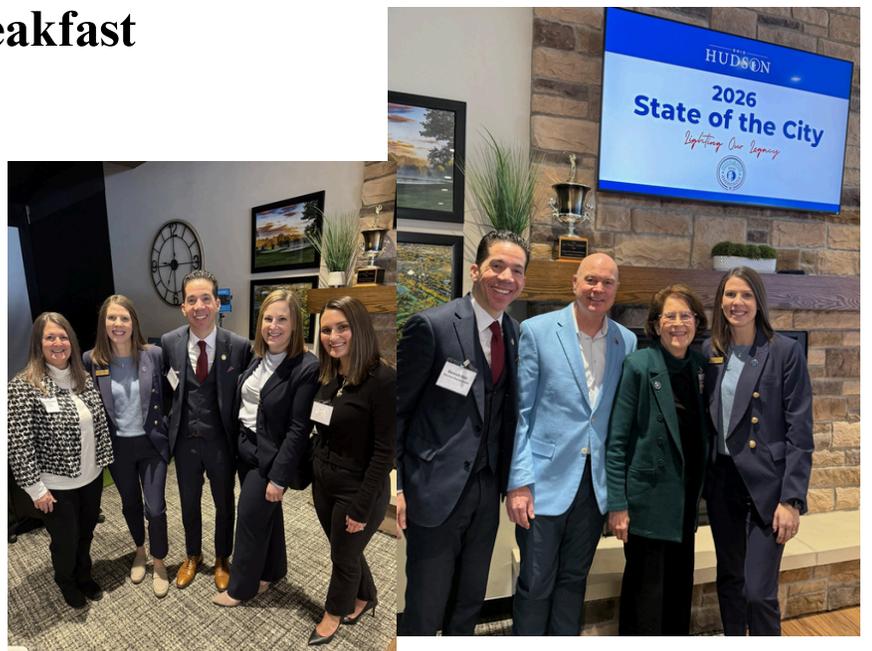
Students from across Ohio came to the Statehouse this month to advocate for bills and issues relating to the job of a pharmacist. As a former pharmacist myself, I was

excited to meet with students interested in both policy and healthcare! My background in pharmacy is useful in my role as Ranking Member of the Insurance Committee and to my work on the Medicaid Committee.



Hudson's State of the City Breakfast

Each year, the City of Hudson hosts a review of the city's wellbeing. I was honored to attend the Hudson State of the City Breakfast, where I could catch up with local leaders, learn about Hudson's 2026 priorities and goals, and discuss the progress that the city has made. I am looking forward to supporting my district's local endeavors this year!





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Seniors Share the Love

For Valentine's Day, I visited the Gilcrest Center for the Seniors Share the Love Event. The Gilcrest Center is an adult day-care center that serves Summit County and surrounding areas. It provides transportation, socialization, and mental and physical exercise for adults with physical impairments, chronic illnesses, and memory impairments.



Ohio Domestic Violence Network Day

On Ohio Domestic Violence Network Day, I met with Asian Services in Action, an Akron-based nonprofit organization that provides social and health services to community members with economic and language barriers. I appreciate the hard work done by advocates from District 34, and I was grateful for the opportunity to speak with them this month!

Cleveland State University's Ohio Education Policy Leadership Program

At House 330 this month, I was honored to meet and talk with the participants of CSU's Ohio Education Policy Leadership Program. This was a great opportunity to discuss the importance of public education and the problems that impact rural and urban schools with professionals dedicated to our students.



Ohio House Democrats Press Conference

In response to the recent inhumane and unjust actions of ICE, the House Democrats hosted a press conference to introduce a package of bills and resolutions intended to keep communities safe. These provisions would protect sensitive personal data, ensure law enforcement be transparent, regulate detention facility standards, and protect sensitive locations like churches, hospitals, and schools. To the right is a graphic that explains each piece of legislation. We know that as a super minority, we are working hard to achieve the bare minimum. Despite this, I have hope for the future, and I am grateful to serve a community that cares so deeply about its neighbors.

PROTECTING COMMUNITIES, CIVIL RIGHTS, & PUBLIC SAFETY

House Democrats are introducing bills and resolutions to strengthen accountability, safeguard privacy, & protect our communities

	Community & Police Protection Act (Brownlee, Thomas) <ul style="list-style-type: none">No face coverings for law enforcement on duty (limited exceptions)Officers must clearly display badge & ID
	Limits on Collecting & Sharing Data (Russo) <ul style="list-style-type: none">State entities cannot collect, share, or disclose personal data/personal information; data & information used only for purpose it was disclosedCertain exceptions as comports with law and narrowly defined in bill
	Preventing Profit from Sensitive Data (Cockley, Rader) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Bars selling or sharing of Sensitive Data in most instances.Data may be shared under law for limited and defined "Permitted Uses"
	Protecting Sensitive Locations (Mohamed, Synenberg) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Prohibits immigration enforcement in a place of worship, courthouses, hospitals, schools, during public religious ceremonies, or at organizations assisting children, pregnant women, victims of crime or abuse, or individuals with mental or physical disabilities
	Investigation of Law Enforcement (Sigrist, Piccolantonio) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensure local law enforcement can investigate crimes in their districtEnsure OAG & ODPS can access evidence/materials and conduct investigations
	Minimum Standards for Immigration Detention (Bryant Bailey, Sims) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ensure detainees have adequate meals, medical/health care, and basic living needs - ensure reasonable wage for all detainees laborEnsure access to religious materials & access to legal representative
	Nat. Guard Deployment Requires Gov. Approval (White) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Governor can decline the deployment of out-of-state National Guard in Ohio
	Oversight of Detention Facilities (Humphrey) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Resolution re-affirming Lawmakers can enter or conduct oversight visits of any jail, prison, and detention facility at any time

Local and State Resources:

International Institute of Akron

To volunteer, email volunteer@iiakron.org
330-376-5106

Catholic Charities Diocese of Cleveland

Migration & Refugee Services
216-939-3769

Immigration Network Akron

330-376-5106

National Lawyers Guild

404-458-9449

Ohio Immigrant Hotline

Report I.C.E. abuses to 419-777-HELP (4357) or email hotline@ohioimmigrant.org

Immigrant Legal Resource Center

Website offers printable handouts and support

