

## Ohio Association of Professional Fire Fighters

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- HB3**      **ESTATE TAXES** (LATTA, R) To eliminate the state portion of the estate tax. The new bill would gradually raise the practical threshold of liability to apply to estates of more than \$600,000 by 2010.  
*Current Status:* 4/25/2007 - House Ways and Means, (Sixth Hearing)  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB4**      **LOCAL GOVERNMENTS** (WOLPERT, L) Gives the state's portion of the estate tax to local municipalities, and allows local governments to opt out of the estate tax.  
*Current Status:* 4/25/2007 - House Ways and Means, (Sixth Hearing)  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB8**      **STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS** (HAGAN, R) To crack down on felons taking advantage of Ohio's five state retirement systems.  
*Current Status:* 6/20/2007 - Referred to Judiciary - Criminal Justice Committee  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB11**     **JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT LAW** (SETZER, A) To make changes in and relating to the Joint Economic Development District Law.  
*Current Status:* 5/31/2007 - House Local and Municipal Government and Urban Revitalization, (Seventh Hearing)  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB14**     **TAXES** (HUGHES, J) Extend full reimbursement to school districts for phase-out of taxes on business tangible personal property.  
*Current Status:* 5/22/2007 - House Finance and Appropriations, (First Hearing)  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB21**     **DRIVER SAFETY** (FESSLER, D) To require a driver to pull over or slow down upon approaching a stationary road service vehicle that is displaying flashing, oscillating, or rotating amber lights while servicing a disabled vehicle.  
*Current Status:* 5/23/2007 - House Infrastructure, Homeland Security and Veterans Affairs, (Third Hearing)  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB59**     **PROPERTY TAXES** (COMBS, C) To defer increases in taxes on residences owned and occupied by individuals age 65 or older.  
*Current Status:* 2/27/2007 - Referred to Finance and Appropriations Committee  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB63**     **FUNERAL HONORS DETAIL** (UJVAGI, P) To grant leave to certain state employees so that they may participate in a funeral honors detail at the funeral of a veteran.

**Current Status:** 3/14/2007 - Infrastructure, Homeland Security and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Support

**HB67 TRANSPORTATION BUDGET (PATTON, T)** To make appropriations for, and to prescribe terms and conditions pertaining to, transportation purposes.

**Current Status:** 4/3/2007 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; App. eff. 4/3/07; other sections different dates

**Position:** Support

**HB75 EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE (HAGAN, R)** To require certain employers in this state who do not provide a specified amount of health care coverage to their employees to make contributions to a fund to be used to supplement this state's share of Medicaid costs.

**Current Status:** 3/6/2007 - Referred to Insurance Committee

**Position:** Monitor

**HB82 SCHOOL BUS SEAT BELTS (CHANDLER, K)** To require all school buses purchased, leased, or rented after January 1, 2010, to transport students to and from school to be equipped with a seat belt assembly for all passengers.

**Current Status:** 3/21/2007 - Infrastructure, Homeland Security and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**HB84 TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWERS (HOTTINGER, J)** To expand township and county zoning authority to telecommunications towers located on land used for agricultural purposes and to modify notice requirements for a proposed tower.

**Current Status:** 1/10/2008 - House Local and Municipal Government and Urban Revitalization, (Sixth Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**HB88 CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS (DOMENICK, J)** To direct the Board of Building Standards to adopt rules requiring a carbon monoxide detector be installed in each residential dwelling unit in a multifamily building.

**Current Status:** 3/27/2007 - Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**HB100 WORKERS' COMP. /INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION BUDGET (BRINKMAN, T)** To abolish the Workers' Compensation Oversight Commission, the Workers' Compensation Oversight Commission Nominating Committee, and the Services Committee; to create the Bureau of Workers' Compensation Board of Directors and specified working committees, to transfer the powers and duties of the Oversight Commission to the Board and the working committees, and to make other changes in the Workers' Compensation Law, and to make appropriations.

**Current Status:** 6/11/2007 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; Eff. 90 days; appropriations eff. 7/1/2007

**Position:** Support

- HB101 INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION BUDGET** (BRINKMAN, T) To make appropriations for the Industrial Commission.  
*Current Status:* 5/22/2007 - House Insurance, (First Hearing)  
*Position:* Support
- HB102 SPEED LIMITS** (UECKER, J) To establish procedures for a board of township trustees to alter the prima-facie speed limit on any township road and to require the Department of Transportation to establish speed transition zones on state highways at locations where the posted speed limit decreases by 20 or more miles per hour.  
*Current Status:* 6/27/2007 - PASSED BY HOUSE  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB119 BIENNIAL BUDGET** (DOLAN, M) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2009, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs.  
*Current Status:* 6/30/2007 - 6/30/2007 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**, appropriations eff. 6/30/2007-some sections different dates  
*Position:* Support
- HB125 HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS** (HUFFMAN, M) To establish certain uniform contract provisions between health care providers and third-party payers, to establish standardized credentialing and to require third-party payers to provide to health care providers specified information concerning enrollees.  
*Current Status:* 1/29/2008 - SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB132 UNLAWFUL PROPERTY BURNING** (HUGHES, J) To create the offense of unlawful property burning.  
*Current Status:* 5/17/2007 - House Criminal Justice, (Third Hearing)  
*Position:* Support
- HB151 FOREIGN COMPANY INVESTMENTS** (MANDEL, J) To prohibit any public investor or any asset manager investing on behalf of any public investor from investing in a foreign company with active business ties or operations in or with the Islamic Republic of Iran or the Sudan and to require that any existing investments in such companies be divested in order to protect the public investments of the State of Ohio from global security risk-related losses.  
*Current Status:* 6/13/2007 - Re-Referred to Committee  
*Position:* Oppose
- HB212 AMBULANCE DRIVERS** (CARMICHAEL, J) To modify the staffing requirements for ambulances during emergency runs and while transporting patients, and to require certain minimum standards for ambulance drivers.  
*Current Status:* 6/6/2007 - REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED  
*Position:* Oppose
- HB219 TESTIMONIAL PRIVILEGE** (PATTON, T) To create a testimonial privilege for communications between a representative of an employee organization and a bargaining unit member.

**Current Status:** 1/29/2008 - House Commerce and Labor, (Second Hearing)  
**Position:** Support

**HB240 PUBLIC RETIREES** (GOODWIN, B) Regarding employment of retired members of the Public Employees Retirement System, School Employees Retirement System, State Teachers Retirement System, and Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund.

**Current Status:** 10/30/2007 - House Financial Institutions, Real Estate and Securities, (Third Hearing)

**Position:** Oppose

**HB242 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COLLECTIVE BARGAINING** (BRINKMAN, T) To remove any requirement under the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law that public employees join or pay dues to any employee organization, to expand the scope of unfair labor practices under that law, to make other changes in the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law, to prohibit any requirement that employees of private employers join or pay dues to any employee organization and to require public and private employers to post notes to that effect, to prohibit certain actions by private employers relative to employee organization membership, and to establish civil and criminal penalties against private employers who violate those prohibitions.

**Current Status:** 6/12/2007 - Referred to Commerce and Labor Committee

**Position:** Oppose

**HB243 PREVAILING WAGE LAW** (BRINKMAN, T) To repeal the Prevailing Wage Law.

**Current Status:** 6/12/2007 - Referred to Commerce and Labor Committee

**Position:** Oppose

**HB249 MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT** (MCGREGOR, R) To modify the Medicaid program's reimbursement rate for medical transportation services.

**Current Status:** 1/29/2008 - House Finance and Appropriations, (Second Hearing)

**Position:** Support

**HB253 NURSES** (OELSLAGER, S) To modify the authority of certain advanced practice nurses to prescribe schedule II controlled substances.

**Current Status:** 1/30/2008 - House Health, (Fourth Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**HB268 CANCER CLINICAL TRIAL** (BEATTY, J) To prohibit insurers, public employee benefit plans, and multiple employer welfare arrangements from excluding coverage for routine patient care administered as part of a cancer clinical trial.

**Current Status:** 1/29/2008 - House Insurance, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**HB270 STATE RETIREES** (SCHNEIDER, M) To provide that a member of the Public Employees Retirement System, Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund, State Teachers Retirement System, or School Employees Retirement System who retires and then returns to public employment in the same position will not receive a pension while earning a salary for that employment.

**Current Status:** 1/31/2008 - House Financial Institutions, Real Estate and

Securities, (Third Hearing)

**Position:** Oppose

- HB316**     **SMOKING** (SEITZ, B) To allow smoking in cigar bars and in outdoor seating areas of restaurants that are at least 20 feet away from an entrance, exit, or window of the restaurant.  
**Current Status:** 10/11/2007 - House State Government and Elections, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- HB340**     **CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNERS** (FLOWERS, L) To create the State Board for Certified Interior Designers and to permit interior designers who meet certain requirements to be certified by that Board.  
**Current Status:** 1/15/2008 - House Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- HB346**     **HOSPITAL STAFFING GUIDELINES** (HUGHES, J) Regarding hospital staffing guidelines for registered nurses.  
**Current Status:** 1/23/2008 - House Health, (Fourth Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- HB349**     **HOTELS** (HUGHES, J) Transient hotels permit guests to stay longer than thirty days and to allow extended stay hotels to permit guests to stay longer than thirty days and to allow extended stay hotels to permit guests to stay longer than one year.  
**Current Status:** 10/30/2007 - House Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- HB371**     **TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENTS** (FLOWERS, L) To modify coverage of the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law with respect to township fire departments.  
**Current Status:** 1/24/2008 - House State Government and Elections, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Support
- HB372**     **MILITARY PERSONNEL** (MCGREGOR, R) To exempt estates of armed forces members who died while serving in a combat zone from probate fees, to exempt military retirement pay from the income tax, to provide that reservists and National Guard members may renew their professional licenses within six months after active duty service, and to extend continuing education reporting periods for National Guard members ordered to duty by the Governor.  
**Current Status:** 12/20/2007 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; eff. 3/25/08  
**Position:** Support
- HB373**     **RADIOACTIVE SHIPMENTS** (SKINDELL, M) To require a person shipping a certain radioactive material within or through this state to provide the Emergency Management Agency with notice of the shipment and pay the Department of Public Safety a fee for each shipment, and to establish the Radiation Response Fund.  
**Current Status:** 11/8/2007 - Referred to Economic Development and Environment Committee

*Position:* Support

- HB392**     **BMV-NEXT OF KIN DATABASE** (MCGREGOR, J) To establish a next of kin database within the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.  
*Current Status:* 1/31/2008 - REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED  
*Position:* Support
- HB428**     **SCHOOL EMPLOYEES MISCONDUCT** (SETZER, A) Regarding the reporting of and the discipline for school employee misconduct.  
*Current Status:* 1/29/2008 - House Education, (Third Hearing)  
*Position:* Monitor
- HB431**     **FIREFIGHTER /EMS DISABILITIES** (PATTON, T) To provide that a firefighter or emergency medical services worker who is disabled as a result of cancer or certain contagious or infectious diseases is presumed for purposes of the laws governing workers' compensation and the the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund to have incurred the disease while performing official duties as a firefighter or emergency medical services worker.  
*Current Status:* 1/23/2008 - Referred to Commerce and Labor Committee  
*Position:* Support
- HB433**     **RETIREMENT BENEFIT TAX EXEMPTIONS** (ZEHRINGER, J) To exempt from the personal income tax up to \$10,000 in state and federal government retirement benefits for taxable years beginning in 2010 and thereafter.  
*Current Status:* 1/30/2008 - House Ways and Means, (First Hearing)  
*Position:* Support
- HB453**     **MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PRISONERS** (BACON, K) Regarding liability for medical care provided to persons imprisoned in a municipal corporation's institution or in the custody of a municipal corporation's law enforcement officer.  
*Current Status:* 1/30/2008 - Referred to Civil and Commercial Law Committee  
*Position:* Monitor
- HJR1**     **LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS** (DEWINE, K) To create an independent commission comprised of seven individuals to help draw the legislative and congressional districts.  
*Current Status:* 2/20/2007 - Referred to State Government and Elections Committee  
*Position:* Monitor
- SB3**     **OFFICE HOLDERS** (FABER, K) To provide that the privilege of holding a position of honor, trust, or profit that is forfeited by reason of conviction of certain felonies is not restored on completion of a prison term, period of community control sanctions or pardon or release by the Adult Parole Authority; to impose as part of the sentence of a person convicted of certain felonies committed while serving in such a position the forfeiture of the portion of any public retirement benefit that is based on employer contributions; to provide for the notification of the appropriate public retirement system if a member is charged with one of the felonies that could result in such a forfeiture and to impose a lifetime ban against serving as,

and the termination of any current registration of, a legislative agent, retirement system lobbyist, or executive agency lobbyist upon a person convicted of certain felonies.

**Current Status:** 6/14/2007 - 6/14/2007 - House State Government and Elections, (Second Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**SB19**      **MILITARY RETIREMENT PAY** (CATES, G) To exempt military retirement pay from the personal income tax.

**Current Status:** 12/11/2007 - Senate Ways and Means and Economic Development, (Fourth Hearing)

**Position:** Support

**SB27**      **BOOSTER SEATS** (KEARNEY, E) To require certain children between four and eight years of age to be secured in a booster seat.

**Current Status:** 6/26/2007 - 6/26/2007 - Senate Highways and Transportation, (Second Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**SB36**      **HOME RULE GOVERNMENT** (SCHULER, R) To permit townships with a population of less than five thousand in its unincorporated territory to adopt a limited home rule government under certain conditions.

**Current Status:** 11/30/2007 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; eff. 3/1/08

**Position:** Monitor

**SB43**      **AMBULANCE STAFFING** (CAREY, JR., J) Modify the ambulance staffing and personnel certification requirements for emergency medical service organizations that are volunteers.

**Current Status:** 2/27/2007 - Referred to Health, Human Services and Aging Committee

**Position:** Oppose

**SB48**      **SPEED LIMITS** (SCHAFFER, T) Establish procedures for township trustees to alter prima-facie speed limits on township roads.

**Current Status:** 4/24/2007 - Senate Highways and Transportation, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**SB50**      **NONRESIDENT TAXPAYERS CREDIT** (SCHAFFER, T) Require municipal corporations with more than \$100 million in annual income to provide tax credit to nonresident taxpayers.

**Current Status:** 3/13/2007 - Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee

**Position:** Monitor

**SB58**      **PHARMACISTS** (COUGHLIN, K) Modify the authority of Pharmacists to administer immunizations and make changes in certain voting procedures of the State Board of Pharmacy.

**Current Status:** 5/31/2007 - SIGNED BY GOVERNOR; eff. 8/30/07

**Position:** Monitor

- SB65 NURSES** (MILLER, R) Regarding tuition reimbursement, tax credits and mandatory overtime for nurses/nurses aides.  
**Current Status:** 3/28/2007 - Ways and Means and Economic Development, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB67 BUY OHIO PROGRAM** (MILLER, R) To further implement the Buy Ohio Program.  
**Current Status:** 4/18/2007 - Senate Insurance, Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB84 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY** (SCHAFFER, T) To specify an additional type of Emergency Management Agency for which a political subdivision may make an appropriation.  
**Current Status:** 1/31/2008 - House Local and Municipal Government and Urban Revitalization, (Third Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB87 EMERGENCY ALERT PROGRAM** (CAREY, JR., J) To create the statewide emergency alert program to aid in the identification and location of missing individuals who have a mental impairment or are sixty-five ears of age or older and to establish activation criteria for the implementation of the program.  
**Current Status:** 1/10/2008 - House State Government and Elections, (Second Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB127 HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS** (COUGHLIN, K) To establish certain uniform contract provisions between health care providers and third-party payers, to establish standardized credentialing, and to require third-party payers to provide to health care providers specified information concerning enrollees.  
**Current Status:** 3/27/2007 - Referred to Committee Senate Judiciary - Civil Justice  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB139 PREVAILING WAGE LAW** (MUMPER, L) To permit state institutions of higher education to use either single or multiple prime bidding for public improvement projects; to exempt from the Prevailing Wage Law projects constructed by state institutions of higher education and projects constructed by private, non-profit organizations that receive public moneys to construct those projects; and to prohibit the Ohio School Facilities Commission from approving school district projects that specify the payment of prevailing wages.  
**Current Status:** 4/17/2007 - Referred to Finance and Financial Institutions Committee  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB161 INVESTMENTS-SUDAN** (JACOBSON, J) To specify procedures for divesting investments a public authority holds in a company conducting specified types of business in Sudan and to prohibit public authorities from investing in such a

company.

**Current Status:** 5/8/2007 - Referred to Finance and Financial Institutions Committee

**Position:** Oppose

**SB162 INCOME TAX EXEMPTION** (STIVERS, S) To exempt from the personal income tax any unearned income of an individual who is age sixty-five or older.

**Current Status:** 12/11/2007 - Senate Ways and Means and Economic Development, (Third Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**SB168 OHIO HEALTH CARE PLAN** (MILLER, D) To establish and operate the Ohio Health Care Plan to provide universal health care coverage to all Ohio residents.

**Current Status:** 5/16/2007 - Referred to Health, Human Services and Aging Committee

**Position:** Monitor

**SB177 9-1-1 CALLS** (SAWYER, T) To prohibit billing or other administrative activities regarding a 9-1-1 call until the emergency is stabilized.

**Current Status:** 6/19/2007 - 6/19/2007 - Senate State and Local Government and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**SB186 CANCER CLINICAL TRIAL** (STIVERS, S) To prohibit insurers, public employee benefit plans, and multiple employer welfare arrangements from excluding coverage for routine patient care administered as part of a cancer clinical trial.

**Current Status:** 1/30/2008 - Referred to Insurance Committee

**Position:** Monitor

**SB191 RETIREMENT BENEFITS TAX EXEMPTIONS** (COUGHLIN, K) To exempt from the personal income tax local, state, and federal government employee and military retirement benefits.

**Current Status:** 12/11/2007 - Senate Ways and Means and Economic Development, (Second Hearing)

**Position:** Support

**SB195 SMOKING** (CATES, G) To allow smoking in cigar bars and in outdoor seating areas of restaurants that are at least 20 feet away from an entrance, exit, or window of the restaurant.

**Current Status:** 10/24/2007 - Senate Health, Human Services and Aging, (Third Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

**SB218 POLICE/FIRE CHIEF APPOINTMENTS** (SCHURING, K) To permit the legislative authority of a city to grant the mayor authority to appoint the chief of the police or fire departments and to provide alternative procedures for the appointments.

**Current Status:** 10/9/2007 - 10/9/2007 - Senate State and Local

Government and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)

**Position:** Monitor

- SB221 STATE ENERGY POLICY** (SCHULER, R) To revise state energy policy to address electric service price regulation, new bonding authority for advanced energy projects, advanced (including renewable) energy portfolio standards, energy efficiency standards, and greenhouse gas emission reporting and carbon control planning requirements.  
**Current Status:** 1/30/2008 - House Public Utilities, (Ninth Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB237 HOTELS** (SCHAFFER, T) To allow transient hotels to permit guests to stay longer than thirty days and to allow extended stay hotels to permit guests to stay longer than one year.  
**Current Status:** 1/29/2008 - House Commerce and Labor, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB246 POLITICAL ACTIVITIES** (SAWYER, T) To authorize classified employees to engage in political activities during nonworking hours, to broaden the prohibition against coercion or harassment of classified employees for political purposes, and to authorize the State Personnel Board of Review and local civil service commission to remedy such coercion or harassment.  
**Current Status:** 12/11/2007 - Senate State and Local Government and Veterans Affairs, (First Hearing)  
**Position:** Support
- SB264 TEACHER STRIKES** (CAREY, JR., J) To prohibit classroom teachers employed by boards of education from striking and instead require binding arbitration to settle their unresolved collective bargaining disputes and to make an appropriation.  
**Current Status:** 1/29/2008 - Senate Education, (Second Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB267 PERS** (FABER, K) Regarding the Public Employees Retirement System law enforcement division.  
**Current Status:** 1/30/2008 - Senate Health, Human Services and Aging, (Second Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SB270 SCHOOL EMPLOYEE MISCONDUCT** (CATES, G) Regarding the reporting of and discipline for school employee misconduct.  
**Current Status:** 1/29/2008 - Senate Education, (Second Hearing)  
**Position:** Monitor
- SJR1 TAKING OF PRIVATE PROPERTY** (COUGHLIN, K) Provide limits on the power of a public authority to take private property for public use.  
**Current Status:** 6/27/2007 - BILL FAILED  
**Position:** None
- SJR2 REAL PROPERTY TAXES** (COUGHLIN, K) To limit increases in the taxable value of

real property to two per cent per year.

***Current Status:*** 2/27/2007 - Referred to Ways and Means and Economic Development Committee

***Position:*** Monitor

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