

OABA Legislative Report
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- HB1** **JOBSONHIO** (DUFFEY M) To authorize the Governor to create JobsOhio, a nonprofit economic development corporation.
Current Status: 2/18/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 2/18/2011
Recent Status: 2/17/2011 - Sent to Governor for Signature
2/16/2011 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; CONCURRED
60-35
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_1
- HB2** **PERFORMANCE AUDITING** (SNITCHLER T) To require performance auditing of most state agencies.
Current Status: 3/8/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance
Recent Status: 2/23/2011 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 97-0
2/23/2011 - Bills for Third Consideration
Comments: This bill was amended in to SB 4 and later signed in to law.
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_2
- HB3** **REPEAL ESTATE TAX** (GROSSMAN C, HOTTINGER J) To repeal the estate tax for the estates of individuals dying on or after January 1, 2011.
Current Status: 2/16/2011 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Ways and Means, (Fourth Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/9/2011 - **SUBSTITUTE BILL ACCEPTED**, House Ways and Means, (Third Hearing)
2/2/2011 - House Ways and Means, (Second Hearing)
Comments: This bill was amended in to the state budget bill (HB 153) and signed in to law. The Ohio estate tax will end January 1, 2013.
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_3
- HB17** **TAX CREDIT FOR HIRING UNEMPLOYED** (BAKER N) To authorize a \$2,400 income tax withholding credit for an employer that hires and employs a previously unemployed individual.
Current Status: 1/11/2011 - Referred to Committee House Ways and Means
Recent Status: 1/11/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_17
- HB18** **TAX CREDIT - EXPANDING BUSINESSES** (BAKER N) To authorize a nonrefundable tax credit for a business that increases payroll and expands into a vacant facility.
Current Status: 5/4/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 8/6/2012 Section 2
Eff. 5/4/2012
Recent Status: 4/18/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; Concurred
Vote 81-8
4/18/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_18

- HB22 ANIMAL OWNERS' LIABILITY (BUBP D)** Regarding the liability of owners of certain animals that are running at large.
Current Status: 6/21/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 9/23/2011
Recent Status: 6/17/2011 - Sent to Governor for Signature
6/7/2011 - **PASSED BY SENATE**; Vote 33-0
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_22
- HB40 OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION (DAMSCHRODER R)** To make the Ohio Turnpike Commission responsible for major maintenance and repair and replacement of grade separations at intersections of any turnpike project with county and township roads.
Current Status: 3/2/2011 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (Third Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/16/2011 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (Second Hearing)
2/9/2011 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (First Hearing)
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_40
- HB43 OHIO VENTURE CAPITAL AUTHORITY (GOYAL J, WILLIAMS S)** To increase the annual and aggregate limit on the amount of tax credits the Ohio Venture Capital Authority may authorize.
Current Status: 1/26/2011 - Referred to Committee House Economic and Small Business Development
Recent Status: 1/20/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_43
- HB44 SMALL BUSINESS WORKING CAPITAL LOAN PROGRAM (GOYAL J, GARLAND N)** To create the Small Business Working Capital Loan Program.
Current Status: 1/26/2011 - Referred to Committee House Economic and Small Business Development
Recent Status: 1/20/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_44
- HB81 PERFORMANCE BUDGETING (SNITCHLER T)** To require performance budgeting by most state agencies.
Current Status: 2/22/2011 - House State Government and Elections, (Second Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/15/2011 - House State Government and Elections, (First Hearing)
2/2/2011 - Referred to Committee House State Government and Elections
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_81

- HB82** **PUCO-MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS** (GROSSMAN C, BOOSE T) To prescribe the applicability of federal regulations adopted by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio to certain motor vehicles.
Current Status: 3/16/2011 - House Public Utilities, (Second Hearing)
Recent Status: 2/16/2011 - House Public Utilities, (First Hearing)
2/2/2011 - Referred to Committee House Public Utilities
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_82
- HB114** **TRANSPORTATION BUDGET** (MCGREGOR R) To make appropriations for programs related to transportation and public safety for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of those programs.
Current Status: 7/13/2011 - HB114 had a provision amended by SB187
Recent Status: 3/30/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 90 days
3/25/2011 - Sent to Governor for Signature
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_114
- HB147** **COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES** (WEDDINGTON C) To require the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to disqualify the holder of a commercial driver's license from operating a commercial motor vehicle upon a municipal OVI conviction and to eliminate the waiver provision for restricted commercial driver's licenses for farm-related service industries.
Current Status: 6/15/2011 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (Third Hearing)
Recent Status: 5/11/2011 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (Second Hearing)
3/23/2011 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (First Hearing)
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_147
- HB151** **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION** (MCGREGOR R, CARNEY J) To authorize the Department of Transportation to enter into Public Private Partnership Agreements.
Current Status: 3/15/2011 - Referred to Committee House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security
Recent Status: 3/10/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_151
- HB153** **BIENNIAL BUDGET** (AMSTUTZ R) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs.
Current Status: 6/30/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Effective 6/30/2011; some sections different dates, 7 line item vetos
Recent Status: 6/30/2011 - Sent to Governor for Signature
6/29/2011 - Consideration of Conference Committee Report; Agreed 59-40
Comments: HB 3 was amended in to this bill to end the Ohio Estate Tax on January 1, 2013.

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_153

- HB185** **AGGREGATES AND INDUSTRIAL MINERALS** (CAREY, JR. J) To designate the third week of July as "Ohio Aggregates and Industrial Minerals Awareness Week."
Current Status: 2/21/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 5/22/2012
Recent Status: 2/8/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; Concurred
Vote 97-0
2/8/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_185
- HB229** **AGRICULTURE** (BUCHY J) To revise the laws governing agriculture.
Current Status: 7/15/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 10/17/2011
Recent Status: 7/6/2011 - Sent to Governor for Signature
6/28/2011 - **PASSED BY SENATE**; Vote 31-2
Comments: This legislation added clarification to the definition of commercial feed, as well as providing manufacturers and distributors of commercial feed the ability to appeal orders in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act. Similar ability for appeal by owners or custodians of seed was also included. OABA testified in favor of this legislation.
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_229
- HB240** **OHIO SUSTAINABLE FOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL** (WEDDINGTON C, AMSTUTZ R) To create the Ohio Sustainable Food Advisory Council to address program and policy considerations regarding the development of a sustainable food economy in Ohio.
Current Status: 5/25/2011 - Referred to Committee House Agriculture and Natural Resources
Recent Status: 5/24/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_240
- HB276** **DEFINITION OF AGRICULTURE FOR ZONING** (BUCHY J, GENTILE L) To include the production from certain feedstocks of biodiesel, biomass energy, electric or heat energy, and biologically derived methane gas in the definition of "agriculture" for purposes of the laws governing zoning, township zoning, and current agricultural use valuation.
Current Status: 3/2/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 6/4/2012 Section 3
Eff. 3/2/2012
Recent Status: 2/23/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature
2/15/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; Concurred
Vote 92-0 Emergency 89-2
Comments: OABA supported this legislation.
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_276
- HB297** **MOTOR FUEL QUALITY TESTING** (WEDDINGTON C, FENDE L) To require the Department of Agriculture to establish a motor fuel quality testing program under which county auditors may conduct such testing.
Current Status: 4/18/2012 - House Agriculture and Natural Resources, (First Hearing)
Recent Status: 9/13/2011 - Referred to Committee House Agriculture and

Natural Resources
7/12/2011 - Introduced

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_297

HB337 **COMMERCIAL DRIVERS' LICENSES** (ROSENBERGER C) To make changes in the law governing commercial drivers' licenses, including hazardous material endorsements, medical certification requirements, disqualifications, conviction records, and establishing texting while driving as a serious traffic violation, to exclude certain components from the prohibited length dimensions of specified types of vehicles, to revise the law governing self-sufficiency contracts established under the Ohio Works First program, to eliminate requirements that the Department of Job and Family Services employ, contract with, or designate only attorneys to make decisions in appeals regarding family services programs, to temporarily extend the look-back period from two years to three years for determining whether a state "on" indicator exists based on the total unemployment rate for purposes of state extended unemployment benefits, and to declare an emergency.

Current Status: 1/27/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 1/27/2012

Recent Status: 1/27/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature
1/24/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; Concurred
83-9 Emergency 82-10

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_337

HB415 **AGRICULTURAL LINKED DEPOSIT PROGRAM** (SPRAGUE R) To modify the Agricultural Linked Deposit Program with respect to the maximum amount the Treasurer of State may invest in agricultural linked deposits, the interest rate at which loans are made under the Program, and the maximum loan amount.

Current Status: 6/20/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature

Recent Status: 6/13/2012 - **PASSED BY SENATE**; Vote 32-0
6/13/2012 - Bills for Third Consideration

Comments: OABA sent a letter of support for this legislation.

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_415

HB482 **CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS** (AMSTUTZ R) To make capital appropriations and make changes related to the laws governing capital projects.

Current Status: 4/2/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 7/3/2012

Recent Status: 3/29/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature
3/28/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; Concurred
Vote-89-0

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_482

HB487 **MBR-MID-BIENNIUM REVIEW BUDGET** (AMSTUTZ R) To make operating and other appropriations, to levy taxes and provide for implementation of those levies, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs.

Current Status: 6/11/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

Recent Status: 5/31/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature
5/23/2012 - Consideration of Conference Committee Report;
Agreed Vote 58-38

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_487

- HB508** **MBR-TAX LAW CHANGES** (BECK P) To make changes to the laws governing the assessment, levy, and collection of taxes in the state.
Current Status: 6/6/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**
Recent Status: 5/31/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature
5/24/2012 - Consideration of Senate Amendments; Concurred
Votes 96-0
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_HB_508
- HCR22** **SHORT SEA SHIPPING ACT** (KOZLOWSKI C, YOUNG R) To urge Congress to pass the "Short Sea Shipping Act of 2011."
Current Status: 11/29/2011 - **REPORTED OUT**, House Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing)
Recent Status: 11/16/2011 - House Agriculture and Natural Resources, (First Hearing)
6/28/2011 - Referred to Committee House Agriculture and Natural Resources
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/res.cfm?ID=129_HCR_22
- HCR27** **CELLULAR BASE STATIONS** (PETERSON B) To urge the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to reconsider the FCC order granting the broadband network provider, LightSquared, conditional authority to construct cellular base stations that may interfere with the frequency used by global positioning systems upon which precision agriculture and other activities rely.
Current Status: 12/7/2011 - House Public Utilities, (Second Hearing)
Recent Status: 11/30/2011 - House Public Utilities, (First Hearing)
11/9/2011 - Referred to Committee House Public Utilities
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/res.cfm?ID=129_HCR_27
- SB1** **JOBSONIO** (WAGONER M) To authorize the creation of JobsOhio, the non-profit economic development corporation.
Current Status: 2/2/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Finance
Recent Status: 2/1/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_1
- SB2** **REGULATORY REFORM** (HUGHES J) To evaluate the economic impact of agency rules and regulations on small business in Ohio.
Current Status: 3/4/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 6/7/2011; some sections 1/1/2012
Recent Status: 3/2/2011 - Consideration of House Amendments; Concurred 31-1
3/2/2011 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 81-14
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_2

- SB4** **PERFORMANCE AUDITS OF STATE AGENCIES** (SCHAFFER T) To require the Auditor of State to conduct performance audits of certain state agencies.
Current Status: 4/5/2011 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**; Eff. 4/5/2011
Recent Status: 4/4/2011 - Sent to Governor for Signature
3/30/2011 - Consideration of House Amendments; Concurred 33-0
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_4
- SB12** **SMALL BUSINESS SET ASIDE** (KEARNEY E) To generally require that state agencies set aside a certain amount of purchases for which only small business enterprises may compete.
Current Status: 2/2/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate State & Local Government & Veterans Affairs
Recent Status: 2/1/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_12
- SB90** **ESTATE TAX** (JORDAN K) To repeal the estate tax for the estates of individuals dying on or after January 1, 2011.
Current Status: 4/14/2011 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, Senate Ways & Means & Economic Development, (Fifth Hearing)
Recent Status: 4/7/2011 - Senate Ways & Means & Economic Development, (Fourth Hearing)
3/31/2011 - Senate Ways & Means & Economic Development, (Third Hearing)
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_90
- SB91** **PURE FOOD AND DRUG LAW** (SCHAFFER T) To exclude manufacturers and distributors of wine and distributors of beer from regulation as food processing establishments under the Pure Food and Drug Law.
Current Status: 3/8/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Health, Human Services & Aging
Recent Status: 2/23/2011 - Introduced
Comments: None
State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_91
- SB114** **MOTOR VEHICLES** (SEITZ B) To establish conditions for the operation of specialized motor vehicles, including low-speed and under-speed vehicles, scooters, cab-enclosed motorcycles, and mini-trucks; to establish conditions for operation of a motorcycle with a temporary instruction permit; to prohibit a motor vehicle manufacturer, remanufacturer, or distributor from providing to a licensed motor vehicle dealer a motor vehicle that violates window tinting standards; to increase the penalty for installing nonconforming glass or other material, including costs and attorney fees; and to impose a registration or license suspension up to 180 days on a registered motor vehicle collision repair facility or licensed motor vehicle dealer upon a second or subsequent violation for installing nonconforming glass or other material.
Current Status: 5/22/2012 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland

Security, (Second Hearing)

Recent Status: 1/31/2012 - House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security, (First Hearing)
11/9/2011 - Referred to Committee House Transportation, Public Safety and Homeland Security

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_114

- SB188** **ALTERNATIVE FUEL FACILITY (PATTON T)** To allow a credit against the personal income tax or commercial activity tax for the installation of an alternative fuel facility.
- Current Status:** 9/22/2011 - Senate Ways & Means & Economic Development, (First Hearing)
- Recent Status:** 6/15/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Ways & Means & Economic Development
6/14/2011 - Introduced
- Comments:** None
- State Bill Page:** http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_188
- SB198** **MOTOR FUEL QUALITY TESTING PROGRAM (TAVARES C)** To require the Department of Agriculture to establish a motor fuel quality testing program under which county auditors may conduct such testing.
- Current Status:** 9/20/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources
- Recent Status:** 7/12/2011 - Introduced
- Comments:** None
- State Bill Page:** http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_198
- SB204** **YELLOW DOT MEDICAL INFORMATION (TAVARES C)** To establish the "Yellow Dot" motor vehicle medical information program within the Department of Public Safety.
- Current Status:** 9/20/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Highways & Transportation
- Recent Status:** 8/15/2011 - Introduced
- Comments:** None
- State Bill Page:** http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_204
- SB235** **COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE TEST (BURKE D)** To establish a waiver for the commercial driver's license skills test for drivers with military commercial motor vehicle experience.
- Current Status:** 12/7/2011 - Senate Highways & Transportation, (First Hearing)
- Recent Status:** 10/20/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Highways & Transportation
10/11/2011 - Introduced
- Comments:** None
- State Bill Page:** http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_235
- SB242** **RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS (PATTON T)** To specify that renewable energy resources do not have to be converted to electricity to receive renewable energy credits.
- Current Status:** 3/28/2012 - Senate Energy & Public Utilities, (First Hearing)
- Recent Status:** 11/9/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Energy & Public

Utilities
10/31/2011 - Introduced

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_242

SB281 **AGRICULTURAL LINKED DEPOSITS (BEAGLE B)** To modify the Agricultural Linked Deposit Program with respect to the maximum amount the Treasurer of State may invest in agricultural linked deposits, the interest rate at which loans are made under the Program, and the maximum loan amount.

Current Status: 5/15/2012 - Re-Referred to Committee

Recent Status: 5/15/2012 - Bills for Third Consideration
5/1/2012 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, House Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing)

Comments: OABA sent a letter of support on this legislation.

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_281

SB292 **CREDIT UNIONS-FARM CREDIT SYSTEM INSTITUTIONS (OELSLAGER S, KEARNEY E)** To permit credit unions and farm credit system institutions to serve as public depositories under certain circumstances and to participate in the Capital Access Loan Program and the Small Business Loan Guarantee Program.

Current Status: 3/21/2012 - Senate Financial Institutions, (First Hearing)

Recent Status: 2/14/2012 - Referred to Committee Senate Financial Institutions
2/7/2012 - Introduced

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_292

SB309 **AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES' MARKETING AGREEMENTS (HITE C)** To establish procedures and requirements for the establishment of marketing agreements for agricultural commodities.

Current Status: 6/13/2012 - **PASSED BY HOUSE**; Vote 85-0

Recent Status: 6/13/2012 - Bills for Third Consideration
6/12/2012 - **REPORTED OUT AS AMENDED**, House Agriculture and Natural Resources, (Second Hearing)

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_309

SB315 **MBR-MID-BIENNIUM REVIEW - ENERGY (JONES S)** To make changes to the energy and natural resources laws and related programs of the state.

Current Status: 6/11/2012 - **SIGNED BY GOVERNOR**

Recent Status: 5/31/2012 - Sent to Governor for Signature
5/24/2012 - Consideration of House Amendments; Concurred
Votes 21-8

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/bills.cfm?ID=129_SB_315

SR143 **HUMANE SOCIETIES SUPPORT (KEARNEY E)** Affirming support for local humane societies in their mission to ensure the humane treatment of animals in communities across the state.

Current Status: 11/9/2011 - Referred to Committee Senate Agriculture,

Environment & Natural Resources

Recent Status: 10/31/2011 - Introduced

Comments: None

State Bill Page: http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/res.cfm?ID=129_SR_143

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