

**OHIO SENATE**  
**Committee on Judiciary Minutes**  
**March 7, 2017**  
**132nd General Assembly**

Senate Judiciary Committee  
Minutes for  
March 7, 2017  
North Hearing Room  
10:15 a.m.

Chairman Bacon called the meeting of the Judiciary Committee to order in the North Hearing Room of the Statehouse at approximately 10:15 a.m. and asked for the attendance to be taken. With a quorum present, the minutes were approved.

Chairman Bacon called for the next order of business:  
SB32, Senator Eklund-Narrow scope of speedy trial rules, 3rd Hearing,  
Proponent/Opponent/Interested Party/Possible Amendments/Possible Vote

**OPPONENT TESTIMONY**

Kari Bloom Legislative Liaison  
Ohio Public Defender  
Written comments provided.

**AMENDMENTS**

Senator Eklund moved to amend SB32 with LSC AM0047x1, Senator Huffman seconded the motion.

OUTCOME: LSC AM0047x1 was accepted without objection.

A vote on the bill was held over.

Chairman Bacon called for the next order of business:  
SB33, Senator Eklund,-Disclose law enforcement data to defendant, 3rd Hearing,  
Proponent/Opponent/Interested Party/Possible Vote

No witnesses appeared to testify.

A vote on the bill was held over.

Chairman Bacon called for the next order of business:  
SB1, Senator LaRose,-Revise Drug Laws, 4th Hearing, Proponent/Opponent/Interested  
Party/Possible Amendments/Possible Vote

**OPPONENT TESTIMONY**

Dennis Cauchon, Editor  
The Clemency Report  
Written comments provided.

A vote on the bill was held over.

Chairman Bacon called for the next order of business:

SB66, Senators Eklund, Tavares-Modify criminal sentencing and corrections law, 1st Hearing, Joint Sponsor

#### JOINT SPONSOR TESTIMONY

Senator John Eklund

Written comments provided.

Senator Charleta Tavares

Written comments provided.

Chairman Bacon called for the next order of business:

SB40, Senators Eklund, Williams-Avoid death penalty if serious mental illness at time of crime, 3rd Hearing, Proponent/Opponent/Interested Party

#### OPPONENT TESTIMONY

Mr. John Murphy, Executive Director

Ohio Prosecuting Attorneys Association

Written comments provided.

#### PROPONENT

Megan Testa, MD

Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Association

Written comments provided.

Chairman Bacon called for the next order of business:

HB 4, Representatives Cupp, Rogers-Prescribe how cocaine is to be measured for offense, 2nd Hearing, Proponent

#### PROPONENT TESTIMONY

Chief Heinz von Eckartsberg

Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police

Written comments provided.

Mr. John Murphy, Executive Director

Ohio Prosecuting Attorneys Association

Written comments provided.

Attorney General Mike DeWine

Attorney General of Ohio

Provided Written Only comments.

With no further business, Chairman Bacon adjourned the Senate Judiciary Committee.

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Kevin Bacon, Chair