The Senate Judiciary Committee was called to order pursuant to the meeting notice at 9:18AM in the North Hearing Room.

Attendance was taken. A quorum was present and the minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

The Chair first called up Senate Bill 48 for its third hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Blaise Katter, Public Policy Chair with the Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers - Opponent (Written-Testimony)

The second order of business was the Governor's Appointment:

Judy Wolford, Ohio Organized Crime Investigations Commission

Chairman Eklund moved to favorably report the Governor's Appointment and Senator Manning seconded the motion. By a vote of 10-0, the Governor's Appointment was approved.

Next the Chair called up Senate Bill 108 for its third hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Sharon Montgomery, Resident of Franklin County - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Senator Manning moved to favorably report Senate Bill 108 and Senator Coley seconded the motion. By a vote of 10-0, the bill was favorably reported.

The Chair then called up Senate Bill 31 for its third hearing. No testimony was provided.

Senator Manning moved to favorably report Senate Bill 31 and Senator Coley seconded the motion. By a vote of 10-0, the bill was favorably reported.

Next the Chair called up Senate Bill 55 for its fourth hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Paul Dobson, Wood County Prosecuting Attorney - Proponent (Written Testimony)

Senator Gavarone moved AM0251 (Treatment facility licensing correction). The motion passed without objection and the amendment became part of the bill.

Senator Thomas moved AM0249 (Vicinity of addiction services provider penalty escalation - offender's knowledge of vicinity). Senator Manning moved to lay AM0249 on the table. By a vote of 7-3, the amendment was laid upon the table.

Senator Thomas moved AM0250 (Vicinity of addiction services provider penalty escalation -
offender's knowledge of vicinity; distance from provider). Senator Manning moved to lay AM0250 on the table and Senator Coley seconded the motion. By a vote of 7-3, the amendment was laid upon the table.

Senator Manning moved to favorably report Senate Bill 55 and Senator Fedor seconded the motion. By a vote of 9-1, the bill was favorably reported.

The Chair then called up Senate Bill 47 for its second hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Barbara Wright, representing Families and Individuals for Reform (FAIR) - Proponent (Written Testimony)

Niki Clum, Legislative Liaison, Policy and Outreach with the Office of the Ohio Public Defender - Proponent (Written Testimony)

Louis Tobin, Executive Director of the Ohio Prosecuting Attorneys Association - Proponent (Written Testimony)

Jennah Strader, Resident of Clark County - Proponent (Written-Only)

Blaise Katter, Public Policy Chair with the Ohio Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers - Proponent (Written-only)

Chairman Eklund moved AM0128 (Victim statement to prosecutor). Senator Manning seconded the motion. The motion passed without objection and the amendment became part of the bill.

Next the Chair called up Senate Bill 33 for its third hearing. The following testimony was provided:

Roxanne Groff, Resident of Athens County representing the Buckeye Environmental Network - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Teresa Mills, Resident of Franklin County - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Carolyn Harding, Resident of Franklin County - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Greg Pace, Resident of Franklin County - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Elaine Tanner, Resident of Wayne County representing the Ohio Tri County Coalition - Opponent (Written Testimony)

Randy Cunningham, Resident of Cleveland - Opponent (Written-Only)

Berry Dilley, Resident of Athens County - Opponent (Written-Only)

Christine Hughes, Resident of Athens County - Opponent (Written-Only)

Lisa Abele, Resident of Jackson County - Opponent (Written-Only)

Nancy Sullivan, Resident of Hamilton County - Opponent (Written-Only)
The committee adjourned at 11:07AM.

John Eklund, Chair