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EIGHTY-SIXTH DAY
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Tuesday, October 3, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 3, the Clerk called the Senate to order.

Senator Reynolds was selected to preside according to the rule.

The journal of the last legislative day was read and approved.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Hackett submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Insurance, to which was referred **S. B. No. 115-** Senator Schuring, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

YES - 9:	BOB D. HACKETT, GEORGE F. LANG, LOUIS W. BLESSING, III, FRANK HOAGLAND, STEPHEN A. HUFFMAN, CATHERINE D. INGRAM, NATHAN H. MANNING, TIM SCHAFFER, STEVE WILSON
NO - 3:	HEARCEL F. CRAIG, WILLIAM P. DEMORA, STEPHANIE KUNZE

The question being, "Shall the report of the committee be accepted?"
The report of the committee was accepted.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and considered for the first time:

S. B. No. 163 - Senator Kunze.
Cosponsor: Senator Brenner.

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 4503.959 of the Revised Code to create the "Dublin City Schools" license plate.

S. B. No. 164 - Senator Craig.
Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, DeMora, Sykes.

To amend sections 149.43, 2923.11, 2923.125, 2923.128, and 2923.20 and to enact sections 2923.133, 2923.22, 2923.221, and 4731.058 of the Revised

Code to enact the Suicide Self-Defense Act, relative to the creation of a do not possess firearms registry.

S. B. No. 165 - Senator Johnson.
Cosponsors: Senators Antani, O'Brien.

To amend sections 2913.02, 2913.51, 4737.012, 4737.04, 4737.041, 4737.045, 4737.99, 4738.03, 4738.07, 4738.12, 4745.01, and 4775.09 and to enact sections 4737.046, 4737.20, 4737.21, 4737.22, 4737.23, 4737.24, 4737.25, and 4737.98 of the Revised Code regarding the sale of used catalytic converters, and to make an appropriation.

S. B. No. 166 - Senators Sykes, Reynolds.
Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, Craig, Ingram, Smith.

To amend sections 122.71 and 122.76 of the Revised Code to allow a limited amount of minority business direct loans to be used to increase working capital.

S. B. No. 167 - Senators Gavarone, Manning.

To enact section 5534.654 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 60 in Erie County as the "Marine Corporal Tim W. Russell Highway."

S. B. No. 168 - Senator Reynolds.
Cosponsor: Senator Brenner.

To amend sections 3301.0714, 3302.03, 3302.151, 3311.80, 3312.02, 3313.413, 3313.48, 3313.92, 3314.012, 3314.016, 3314.017, 3314.0211, 3314.03, 3314.29, 3314.35, 3319.077, 3319.0811, 3319.111, 3319.112, 3319.172, 3319.22, 3319.27, 3319.291, 3323.251, 3326.11, and 5502.70; to enact sections 3319.225 and 3319.273; and to repeal sections 3301.0717, 3301.131, 3301.134, 3301.14, 3301.30, 3302.22, 3313.6015, 3317.50, 3317.51, 3319.234, 3319.55, 3319.56, and 3319.57 of the Revised Code with regard to education regulation reform and to amend the versions of sections 3301.0714 and 3314.03 of the Revised Code that are scheduled to take effect January 1, 2025, to continue the changes on and after that effective date.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 55, the following resolution was offered:

S. R. No. 211 - Senator Lang.
Honoring Paula Drees as the 2023 ODRC DPCS Employee of the Year.

The question being, "Shall the resolution listed under the President's prerogative be adopted?"

So the resolution was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 127.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Stephanie Kunze to temporarily replace Senator Jerry C. Cirino on the Controlling Board for the purposes of the October 2, 2023 meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

The President handed down the following messages from the Governor which were read by the Clerk:

STATE OF OHIO
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint Kara Wente, from Dublin, Franklin County, Ohio, as Director of the Department of Children and Youth for a term beginning August 21, 2023 and continuing at the pleasure of the Governor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed, at Columbus, this 28th day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.

[Seal] Mike DeWine,
Governor.

Said appointment was referred to the committee on Rules and Reference.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

The President handed down the following messages from the Attorney General which were read by the Clerk:

August 28, 2023

The Honorable Matthew Huffman
Ohio Senate President
1 Capitol Square, 2nd Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear President Huffman:

It is my pleasure to present to you for the advice and consent of the Ohio Senate the reappointment of Cheryl Grossman to the Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4911.17.

The Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board appoints the Consumers' Counsel and the Deputy Consumers' Counsel and monitors the operations of the Office of the Consumers' Counsel. The Governing Board consists of nine members, with three members each representing the following groups: organized labor; residential consumer; and, family farmers. The Revised Code requires that no more than five members of the Governing Board may be from the same political party. Cheryl Grossman is a Republican and will continue to represent Organized Residential Consumers. Enclosed is her biography for your review.

This request for reappointment is respectfully submitted to both you and the Ohio Senate for your advice and consent. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours,
/s/ **DAVE YOST**
Dave Yost
Ohio Attorney General

August 28, 2023

The Honorable Matthew Huffman
Ohio Senate President
1 Capitol Square, 2nd Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear President Huffman:

It is my pleasure to present to you for the advice and consent of the Ohio Senate the reappointment of Michael Watkins to the Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4911.17.

The Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board appoints the Consumers' Counsel and the Deputy Consumers' Counsel and monitors the operations of the Office of the Consumers' Counsel. The Governing Board consists of nine members, with three members each representing the following groups: organized labor; residential consumer; and, family farmers. The Revised Code requires that no more than five members of the Governing Board may be from

the same political party. Michael Watkins is a Republican and will continue to represent Organized Laborers. Enclosed is his biography for your review. This request for reappointment is respectfully submitted to both you and the Ohio Senate for your advice and consent. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours,
/s/ **DAVE YOST**
Dave Yost
Ohio Attorney General

August 30, 2023

The Honorable Matthew Huffman
Ohio Senate President
1 Capitol Square, 2nd Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear President Huffman:

It is my pleasure to present to you for the advice and consent of the Ohio Senate the reappointment of Connie Skinner to the Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4911.17.

The Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board appoints the Consumers' Counsel and the Deputy Consumers' Counsel and monitors the operations of the Office of the Consumers' Counsel. The Governing Board consists of nine members, with three members each representing the following groups: organized labor; residential consumer; and, family farmers. The Revised Code requires that no more than five members of the Governing Board may be from the same political party. Connie Skinner is a Republican and will continue to represent family farmers. Enclosed is her biography for your review.

This request for reappointment is respectfully submitted to both you and the Ohio Senate for your advice and consent. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours,
/s/ **DAVE YOST**
Dave Yost
Ohio Attorney General

Said appointments were referred to the committee on Rules and Reference.

On the motion of Senator Reineke, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.