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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Pastor Brian Solomon, Capitol Ministries in Columbus, Ohio, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

The following guests were recognized by the Senate prior to the commencement of business:

Senator Ingram recognized Ted Karras, Offensive Lineman for the Cincinnati Bengals, as the 2023 Nationwide Charity Challenger winner and nominee for the 2023 Walter Payton NFL Man of the Year award.

Senator Hackett recognized the Springfield Kenton Ridge High School Girls Bowling team as the Division II State Champions.

Senator DeMora recognized Lyle Yost, a senior at The Ohio State University, as the NCAA 1-Meter Diving Champion. This is Lyle's second consecutive national title.

Senator Johnson recognized Logan Dean, a senior at Bethel-Tate High School, as the 2024 Division III State Wrestling Champion in the 120 pound weight class.

Senator DeMora recognized The Ohio State University Women's Hockey team as the 2024 NCAA Champions.

Senator DeMora recognized the Upper Arlington Girl's Swim team as the 2024 Ohio High School Athletic Association Division I State Champions.

Senator Craig recognized the Columbus Africentric High School Girl's Basketball team as the Ohio High School Athletic Association Division III State Champions.

Senator Sykes and Senator Craig recognized the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Ohio on its 175th Anniversary.

Senator Sykes recognized members of the Summit County Child and Family Leadership Exchange on their visit to the Statehouse.

Senator Antonio requested a moment of silence in honor of former Senate Minority Leader CJ Prentiss who passed away on April 2nd.

REPORTS OF REFERENCE AND BILLS FOR SECOND CONSIDERATION

Senator Huffman, M. reports for the standing committee on Rules and Reference, recommending that the following bills and resolution, standing in order for second consideration, be referred to committee as recommended:

S. R. No. 339-Senators Cirino, Gavarone, et al.

To request that the President of the United States and the United States Congress propose legislation or administrative rules to prohibit non-U.S. citizens from being counted in the 2030 census.

To the Committee on Government Oversight.

S. B. No. 241-Senators Huffman, S., Brenner, et al.

To amend section 2909.07 and to enact sections 1923.16 and 2913.53 of the Revised Code to provide for the expedited removal of unauthorized occupants of residential property and to prohibit the use and sale of fraudulent deeds.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. B. No. 242-Senator O'Brien

To amend section 5709.121 of the Revised Code to expand the charitable use property tax exemption.

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

S. B. No. 243-Senators Reynolds, Craig

To declare the General Assembly's intent to enact legislation addressing local zoning regulations that impede the development of housing in this state.

To the Committee on Select Committee on Housing.

S. B. No. 244-Senators Reynolds, Craig

To amend sections 4503.06, 5713.07, 5713.08, and 5715.27 and to enact sections 5709.29 and 5709.99 of the Revised Code to authorize local governments to create residential stability zones where homeowners may qualify for a partial property tax exemption.

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

S. B. No. 245-Senators Reynolds, Craig

To amend sections 120.521, 120.53, 319.20, 1923.06, 1923.08, 1923.09,

3735.41, 3781.10, 4735.55, 4735.56, 4735.59, and 5321.17 and to enact sections 120.531, 120.532, 319.204, 1923.111, 1923.16, and 3781.181 of the Revised Code to revise the law governing eviction, real estate representation agreements, residential building code enforcement, and real property transfers, and to amend the version of section 3781.10 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect January 1, 2025, to continue the changes after that date.

To the Committee on Select Committee on Housing.

S. B. No. 246-Senators Reynolds, Craig

To amend sections 9.47, 9.66, 107.03, 107.21, 117.55, 121.02, 121.03, 121.35, 122.01, 122.011, 122.012, 122.013, 122.014, 122.02, 122.03, 122.04, 122.041, 122.042, 122.05, 122.06, 122.07, 122.071, 122.073, 122.075, 122.077, 122.08, 122.081, 122.082, 122.083, 122.085, 122.086, 122.087, 122.088, 122.089, 122.0810, 122.0811, 122.0812, 122.0813, 122.0814, 122.0815, 122.0816, 122.0817, 122.09, 122.10, 122.11, 122.121, 122.131, 122.132, 122.133, 122.134, 122.135, 122.136, 122.14, 122.15, 122.151, 122.152, 122.153, 122.154, 122.155, 122.156, 122.16, 122.17, 122.171, 122.172, 122.173, 122.174, 122.175, 122.176, 122.177, 122.178, 122.179, 122.1710, 122.1711, 122.18, 122.19, 122.20, 122.21, 122.22, 122.23, 122.24, 122.25, 122.26, 122.27, 122.30, 122.31, 122.32, 122.33, 122.35, 122.36, 122.37, 122.38, 122.401, 122.403, 122.406, 122.4017, 122.4018, 122.4019, 122.4020, 122.4023, 122.4024, 122.4030, 122.4031, 122.4032, 122.4033, 122.4034, 122.4035, 122.4036, 122.4037, 122.4040, 122.4043, 122.4044, 122.4045, 122.4046, 122.4050, 122.4051, 122.4055, 122.4063, 122.4070, 122.4071, 122.4073, 122.4075, 122.4076, 122.4077, 122.41, 122.42, 122.43, 122.44, 122.45, 122.451, 122.46, 122.47, 122.48, 122.49, 122.52, 122.53, 122.54, 122.55, 122.56, 122.561, 122.57, 122.571, 122.58, 122.59, 122.60, 122.601, 122.602, 122.603, 122.604, 122.605, 122.61, 122.62, 122.63, 122.631, 122.632, 122.633, 122.64, 122.641, 122.6510, 122.6511, 122.6512, 122.67, 122.68, 122.681, 122.69, 122.70, 122.701, 122.71, 122.72, 122.73, 122.74, 122.75, 122.76, 122.77, 122.78, 122.79, 122.80, 122.81, 122.82, 122.84, 122.85, 122.851, 122.852, 122.86, 122.88, 122.89, 122.90, 122.91, 122.92, 122.921, 122.922, 122.923, 122.924, 122.925, 122.94, 122.941, 122.942, 122.951, 122.9511, 122.9512, 122.96, 123.01, 123.22, 125.08, 125.081, 125.111, 125.20, 125.836, 125.901, 126.023, 126.32, 126.62, 140.01, 145.035, 149.311, 150.02, 151.40, 153.59, 164.02, 165.01, 165.03, 165.20, 166.01, 166.02, 166.03, 166.04, 166.05, 166.06, 166.07, 166.08, 166.09, 166.12, 166.13, 166.14, 166.15, 166.16, 166.17, 166.18, 166.19, 166.20, 166.21, 166.25, 166.27, 167.02, 169.05, 173.08, 174.01, 174.02, 174.03, 174.04, 174.05, 174.06, 174.07, 175.03, 175.04, 175.06, 175.15, 176.01, 176.07, 184.01, 184.151, 184.16, 187.01, 187.03, 187.04, 187.05,

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To the Committee on General Government.

S. B. No. 247-Senator Lang

To amend sections 4928.01 and 4928.02 and to enact sections 1.66, 4934.01, 4934.011, 4934.04, 4934.05, 4934.06, 4934.07, 4934.071, 4934.072, 4934.08, 4934.09, 4934.10, 4934.11, 4934.12, 4934.13, 4934.14, 4934.15, 4934.16, 4934.17, 4934.24, 4934.25, 4934.26, and 4934.27 of the Revised Code to establish the community solar pilot program.

To the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

S. B. No. 248-Senator Hackett

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 4503.894 of the Revised Code to create the "Blanchester Wildcats" license plate.

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. B. No. 249-Senators Reynolds, Craig

To enact section 175.50 of the Revised Code to provide grants to qualifying applicants for mortgage, property tax, and utility bill assistance.

To the Committee on General Government.

S. B. No. 250-Senator Reineke

To amend sections 4955.50 and 4955.51 and to enact sections 4955.52, 4955.53, 4955.55, and 4955.57 of the Revised Code to create separate requirements for the installation of wayside detector systems for certain railroad companies.

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. B. No. 251-Senator Smith

To amend section 4909.18 and to enact section 4909.181 of the Revised Code to require public utilities that serve more than 250,000 Ohio residents to file a rate case application with the Public Utilities Commission at least every four years.

To the Committee on Energy and Public Utilities.

YES - 13: MATT HUFFMAN, NICKIE J. ANTONIO, ANDREW O. BRENNER, HEARCEL F. CRAIG, MATT DOLAN, THERESA GAVARONE, BOB D. HACKETT, CATHERINE D. INGRAM, STEPHANIE KUNZE, ROB MCCOLLEY, MICHELE REYNOLDS, TIM SCHAFFER, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

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

The report of the committee was accepted.

Said bills and resolution were considered a second time and referred to committee as recommended.

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Brenner submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Education, to which was referred **Am. H. B.**

No. 250-Representatives Miranda, Richardson, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute bill and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsor: Brenner.

YES - 7: ANDREW O. BRENNER, SANDRA O'BRIEN, CATHERINE D. INGRAM, LOUIS W. BLESSING, III, STEPHEN A. HUFFMAN, MICHELE REYNOLDS, VERNON SYKES

NO - 0.

Senator Landis submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Community Revitalization, to which was referred **S. R. No. 241-**Senator Johnson, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its adoption.

YES - 5: AL LANDIS, BRIAN M. CHAVEZ, VERNON SYKES, TERRY JOHNSON, MICHELE REYNOLDS

NO - 0.

Senator Manning submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Judiciary, to which was referred **H. B. No. 161-**Representatives Miranda, Hillyer, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsor: Manning.

YES - 7: NATHAN H. MANNING, MICHELE REYNOLDS, PAULA HICKS-HUDSON, MATT DOLAN, THERESA GAVARONE, ROB MCCOLLEY, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

Senator Manning submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Judiciary, to which was referred **S. B. No. 109-**Senator Hackett having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute bill and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsors: Dolan, Manning.

YES - 7: NATHAN H. MANNING, MICHELE REYNOLDS, PAULA HICKS-HUDSON, MATT DOLAN, THERESA

GAVARONE, ROB MCCOLLEY, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

Senator Manning submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Judiciary, to which was referred **S. B. No. 214-** Senator Kunze, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

YES - 7: NATHAN H. MANNING, MICHELE REYNOLDS, PAULA HICKS-HUDSON, MATT DOLAN, THERESA GAVARONE, ROB MCCOLLEY, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

Senator Kunze submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Transportation, to which was referred **H. B. No. 195-**Representatives Demetriou, Brennan, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back with the following amendments and recommends its passage when so amended.

In line 432, after "car" insert "or bus"

In line 433, after the first "car" insert "or bus"; after the second "car" insert "or bus"

In line 435, after "car" insert "or bus"

In line 849, strike through "for use as"

In line 850, strike through "a consumer"

In line 1412, after "equipment." insert "It is not a violation of this section if the adaptive mobility dealer is also a remanufacturer or a motor vehicle leasing dealer."

After line 1355, insert:

"A used motor vehicle dealer does not violate division (C) of this section if a customer of the used motor vehicle dealer executes purchase or lease documentation at a location other than the used motor vehicle dealer's established place of business."

After line 1412, insert:

"An adaptive mobility dealer does not violate division (H) of this section if a customer of the adaptive mobility dealer executes purchase or lease documentation at a location other than the adaptive mobility dealer's established place of business."

YES - 12: STEPHANIE KUNZE, BILL REINEKE, NICKIE J. ANTONIO, ANDREW O. BRENNER, WILLIAM P. DEMORA, BOB D. HACKETT, BRIAN M. CHAVEZ, SANDRA O'BRIEN, KRISTINA D. ROEGNER, MICHAEL A. RULLI, TIM SCHAFFER, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

Senator Kunze submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Transportation, to which was referred **S. B. No. 145-**Senator Schaffer having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsors: Hackett, Brenner.

YES - 12: STEPHANIE KUNZE, BILL REINEKE, NICKIE J. ANTONIO, ANDREW O. BRENNER, WILLIAM P. DEMORA, BOB D. HACKETT, BRIAN M. CHAVEZ, SANDRA O'BRIEN, KRISTINA D. ROEGNER, MICHAEL A. RULLI, TIM SCHAFFER, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

Senator Roegner submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Government Oversight, to which was referred **S. B. No. 89-**Senator Roegner having had the same under consideration, reports back a substitute bill and recommends its passage.

YES - 4: KRISTINA D. ROEGNER, BRIAN M. CHAVEZ, GEORGE F. LANG, PAULA HICKS-HUDSON

NO - 0.

The question being, "Shall the reports of the committee be accepted?"

The reports of the committee were accepted.

Senator Huffman, M. submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Rules and Reference to which were referred the appointments by the Governor of:

Fox, Joshua, Republican, from Miamisburg, Montgomery County, Ohio, as a Member of the Motor Vehicle Dealers Board for a term beginning March 10, 2023, ending at the close of business October 4, 2025, replacing Joshua T. Fox, whose term expired.

Garrett, Stephanie, Republican, from West Alexandria, Preble County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Advisory Council for the Aging for a term beginning November 6, 2023, ending at the close of business November 21, 2025, replacing Stephanie Garrett, whose term expired.

Having had the same under consideration, reports back the recommendation that the Senate advise and consent to said appointments.

YES – 13: MATT HUFFMAN, NICKIE J. ANTONIO, ANDREW O. BRENNER, HEARCEL F. CRAIG, MATT DOLAN, THERESA GAVARONE, BOB D. HACKETT, CATHERINE D. INGRAM, STEPHANIE KUNZE, ROB MCCOLLEY, MICHELE REYNOLDS, TIM SCHAFFER, KENT SMITH

NO – 0.

The question being, "Shall the Senate advise and consent to the appointments by the Governor?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	McColley	Manning	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the Senate advised and consented to said appointments.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE

Am. S. R. No. 121-Senator Rulli.
Cosponsors: Senators Landis, Romanchuk, Brenner.

To recognize that natural gas and its production industry are vital to Ohio's economic future and to urge continued investment in natural gas infrastructure to make affordable energy available to every Ohioan.

WHEREAS, Natural gas is a leading contributor to clean, affordable,

and reliable energy security, and it is vital for Ohio families and businesses in maintaining lower energy bills and for Ohio to become the low-cost energy capital of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ohio's natural gas industry has transformed from a low production industry to one of the top seven in terms of production when compared to other states; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is a leader in clean energy technology, and the natural gas industry leads Ohio in clean electricity production when compared to other energy sources such as nuclear, wind, and solar. In addition, in 2019, natural gas generated more of Ohio's in-state electricity than coal for the first time in history; and

WHEREAS, Natural gas saves the average Ohio family $2,500 annually in total energy costs, including over $1,000 for home heating and appliances. The 36% of Ohioans utilizing other energy sources do not realize these savings; and

WHEREAS, The natural gas industry supports 375,000 jobs, which constitutes 5.3% of Ohio's total employment. In addition, the natural gas industry contributed $58.8 billion to Ohio's gross domestic product in 2019; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, recognize that natural gas and the natural gas industry are vital components of the state's economic future and urge continued investment in natural gas infrastructure to make affordable energy available to every Ohioan; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the clerk of the Senate send duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President Pro Tempore and Clerk of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, each member of the Ohio congressional delegation, Governor Mike DeWine, and the news media of Ohio.

The question being, “Shall the resolution, **Am. S. R. No. 121**, be adopted?

Senator Rulli moved to amend as follows:

In line 2 of the title, after "are" insert "not only"; after "future" insert "but to maintain the position of the United States as the world's leading energy producer"

In line 5 of the title, after "Ohioan" insert "and protect Ohio's energy security and the energy security of the United States and our global allies"

In line 27, after "2019;" insert "and

WHEREAS, Restricting natural gas infrastructure development will impede continued access to low-cost natural gas supply; and

WHEREAS, Increased United States natural gas exports create massive economic benefits for United States communities while providing global access to the reliable United States natural gas supply needed to advance the global energy transition from higher greenhouse gas (GHG) emitting fuels to lower GHG emitting natural gas; and

WHEREAS, Residential natural gas prices in the United States remain among the lowest in the world despite natural gas exports and domestic consumption reaching all-time highs in recent years;"

In line 30, after "are" insert "not only"

In line 31, after "future" insert ", but also critical to maintaining the position of the United States as the world's leading energy producer,"

In line 33, after "Ohioan" insert "and protect Ohio's energy security and the energy security of the United States and our global allies"

The question being, “Shall the amendment be agreed to?”

The motion to amend was agreed to.

The question recurred, “Shall the resolution, **Am. S. R. No. 121**, be adopted?

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the resolution was adopted.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Chavez, Cirino, Gavarone, Hackett, Huffman, S., Johnson, Lang, Manning, O'Brien, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Schaffer, Schuring, Wilkin, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

S. R. No. 241-Senator Johnson.
Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Cirino, Dolan, Lang, Reynolds, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Schuring.

To condemn the People's Republic of China and the Chinese Communist Party for conducting unrestricted warfare against the world, and especially against the United States, and for the systematic, brutal oppression of its own people.

WHEREAS, There have been over 200 reported instances of Chinese espionage directed at the United States since 2000, many cases involving attempts to smuggle controlled items from the United States to China, usually munitions or controlled technologies, and more than 1,200 cases of intellectual property theft lawsuits brought by United States companies against Chinese entities; and

WHEREAS, In the years immediately before 2019, China was the primary source of United States-bound illicit fentanyl, fentanyl-related substances, and production equipment. The People's Republic of China's (PRC) traffickers supplied fentanyl and fentanyl-related substances directly to the United States via international mail and express consignment operations; and

WHEREAS, To the extent that the PRC is involved directly in enabling the global drug trade, the PRC does so as a means of facilitating destabilization and division in the United States and across the region more broadly; and

WHEREAS, The PRC failed to keep the COVID-19 virus from spreading, and was less than forthcoming with respect to information about the virus; and

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Energy has assessed that the COVID-19 pandemic most likely came from a laboratory leak in Wuhan, China; and

WHEREAS, The PRC's strict COVID-19 policy resulted in unpredictable lockdowns, idle ports, and congested infrastructure, contributing greatly to the global supply chain crisis; and

WHEREAS, Despite claims of international environmental leadership, the PRC's energy-related carbon dioxide emissions are rising. It has been the world's largest annual greenhouse gas emitter since 2006, with total energy-related emissions twice that of the United States and nearly one-third of all emissions globally; and

WHEREAS, The PRC has arbitrarily detained more than one million Uyghurs and other mostly Muslim minorities in China's far western Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region; and

WHEREAS, It is estimated that 100,000 Uyghurs and other ethnic minority ex-detainees in China may be working in conditions of forced labor following detention in reeducation camps, and many more rural poor workers also experience coercion without detention; and

WHEREAS, The PRC has been included on the List of Goods Produced by Child Labor or Forced Labor since 2009; and

WHEREAS, The final judgment of the Independent Tribunal into Forced Organ Harvesting from Prisoners of Conscience in China Tribunal, published in March 2020, concluded that forced organ harvesting from prisoners of conscience has been practiced for a substantial period of time involving a very substantial number of victims; and

WHEREAS, Chinese espionage is undertaken in pursuit of China's strategic objectives; and

WHEREAS, The PRC has imposed a sweeping national security law on Hong Kong, limiting freedoms of the press and speech, and arresting pro-democracy activists, lawmakers, and journalists, raising questions about Hong Kong's status as a global financial hub; and

WHEREAS, The PRC has employed a variety of coercive tactics to intimidate Taiwan; and

WHEREAS, The PRC has increased the frequency and scale of patrols of PLA bombers, fighter jets, and surveillance aircraft over and around Taiwan, and also has increasingly sailed its warships and aircraft carriers through the Taiwan Strait in shows of force; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan has reported that thousands of cyber attacks from the PRC target its government agencies every day; and

WHEREAS, The PRC regularly is accused of state-organized economic espionage and theft of intellectual property; and

WHEREAS, The PRC is upgrading its offensive nuclear ballistics, airborne, subsurface, and intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBM). It is reported that the PRC is constructing as many as 200 ICBM sites in West China; and

WHEREAS, Across much of the Indo-Pacific region, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) is using military and economic coercion to bully its neighbors, advance unlawful maritime claims, and threaten maritime shipping lanes; and

WHEREAS, The PRC, in direct contravention of international law, and ignoring a recent decision of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague, has fabricated phony islands in the South China Sea and elsewhere, and has militarized them, thus making false claims to vast ocean territories clearly not their own; and

WHEREAS, Support from the PRC is critical to Russia's ability to continue waging its war against Ukraine. A report from the Office of the Director of National Intelligence has outlined how a range of actors, including the Chinese government, the CCP, state-owned Chinese companies, and other Chinese entities, are supporting Russia's economy and its military; and

WHEREAS, The PRC incorporates a network of monitoring systems to monitor Chinese citizens, including internet surveillance, camera surveillance, and other digital technologies; and

WHEREAS, Under a 2016 cybersecurity law, the PRC, with the help of corporations, has significantly increased mass surveillance. It is estimated that 200 million monitoring cameras have been put to use in mainland China; and

WHEREAS, The CCP continues to violate the right to freedom of religion, persecuting Christians, demolishing churches, and arresting leaders. Tibetan Buddhists are targeted through strict state surveillance, destruction of religious sites, and mass eviction of clergy. More than 500 Tibetans currently are held as political prisoners, including the Panchen Lama, the Dalai Lama's intended successor. These concerns are heightened by the CCP's new forced labor transfer policy. Uyghur Muslims are subject to some of the worst abuses. Between 1.8 million and 3 million Uyghurs have been interned in hundreds of political reeducation camps in Xinjiang Province since 2018, where they face brutalities including forced labor, torture, sexual abuse, and forced abortion and sterilization. Hui Muslims also have witnessed tightening restrictions, including forced mosque closures and imprisonment of religious leaders. The Falun Gong members reportedly are subject to forced organ harvesting and extrajudicial imprisonment; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 135th General Assembly of the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, condemn the People's Republic of China and the Chinese Communist Party for these actions, which constitute unrestricted warfare against the world, and especially against the United States, as described in the 1999 book on military strategy, entitled "Unrestricted Warfare: Two Air Force Senior Colonels on Scenarios for War and the Operational Art in an Era of Globalization," by two colonels in the People's Liberation Army, Qiao Liang and Wang Xiangsui, and for the systematic, brutal oppression of its own people; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly authenticated copy of this resolution to the news media of Ohio.

The question being, “Shall the resolution, **S. R. No. 241**, be adopted?

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith

Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the resolution was adopted.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Chavez, Gavarone, Hackett, Huffman, S., Landis, O'Brien, Reineke, Roegner, Rulli, Wilkin, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

BILLS FOR THIRD CONSIDERATION

H. B. No. 161-Representatives Miranda, Hillyer.
Cosponsors: Representatives Williams, Abdullahi, Abrams, Baker, Bird, Brennan, Brown, Carruthers, Click, Creech, Cross, Cutrona, Dell'Aquila, Dobos, Edwards, Forhan, Ghanbari, Grim, Hall, Hoops, Humphrey, Isaacsohn, John, Jones, Lampton, Lightbody, Liston, Loychik, Mathews, McNally, Miller, A., Miller, J., Miller, K., Mohamed, Oelslager, Pavliga, Richardson, Robb Blasdel, Russo, Schmidt, Somani, Sweeney, Thomas, C., Weinstein, Willis, Young, T. Senator Manning.

To amend sections 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.06, 2907.07, and 2945.42 of the Revised Code to eliminate the spousal exceptions for the offenses of rape, sexual battery, unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, gross sexual imposition, sexual imposition, and importuning and to permit a person to testify against the person's spouse in a prosecution for any of those offenses, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **H. B. No. 161**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Antonio, Blessing, Brenner, Cirino, Craig, DeMora, Dolan, Gavarone, Hackett, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, S., Ingram, Johnson, Kunze, Landis, Lang, McColley, Romanchuk, Rulli, Schaffer, Schuring, Smith, Sykes, Wilkin, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

Am. H. B. No. 195-Representatives Demetriou, Brennan. Cosponsors: Representatives Baker, Brewer, Ferguson, Galonski, Grim, Hall, Lipps, Miller, A., Miller, J., Roemer, Somani, Upchurch, Williams, Young, T., Forhan, Isaacsohn, Abdullahi, Barhorst, Brown, Carruthers, Claggett, Click, Dell'Aquila, Dobos, Fowler Arthur, Ghanbari, Hillyer, Hoops, John, Johnson, Jones, Kick, Lightbody, Liston, Lorenz, Mathews, McClain, Mohamed, Oelslager, Patton, Pavliga, Peterson, Robb Blasdel, Russo, Skindell, Thomas, C., Weinstein, White.

To amend sections 4501.01, 4503.44, 4517.01, 4517.02, and 4517.03 and to enact section 4517.041 of the Revised Code to create an adaptive mobility dealer license, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **Am. H. B. No. 195**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Antonio, Brenner, Cirino, Craig, DeMora, Dolan, Gavarone, Hackett, Hicks-Hudson, Ingram, Johnson, Kunze, Landis, Reineke, Reynolds, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Schuring, Smith, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

Sub. H. B. No. 250-Representatives Miranda, Richardson. Cosponsors: Representatives Russo, Thomas, C., Dobos, McNally, Robb Blasdel, Manning, Dell'Aquila, Jones, Carruthers, Grim, Weinstein, Galonski, Miller, A., Brown, Abrams, Brewer, Baker, Isaacsohn, Miller, J., Liston, Ray, Somani, Seitz, Bird, Fowler Arthur, Click, Lear, Lightbody, Pizzulli, Williams, Abdullahi, Barhorst, Blackshear, Brennan, Brent, Callender, Creech, Demetriou, Denson, Forhan, Ghanbari, Gross, Hillyer, Hoops, Jarrells, John, Johnson, Kick, King, Lampton, LaRe, Lipps, Lorenz, Loychik, Mathews, Miller, M., Mohamed, Oelslager, Patton, Pavliga, Peterson, Plummer, Robinson, Roemer, Rogers, Schmidt, Stein, Troy, Upchurch, Willis, Young, T. Senator Brenner.

To amend sections 121.086, 3301.079, 3313.6114, 3313.753, 3314.03, 3314.03, 3319.22, 3325.071, 3326.11, 3328.24, and 4732.01 and to enact section 3319.079 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 265.550 of H.B. 33 of the 135th General Assembly to revise the Military Enlistment diploma seal, regarding the High School Financial Literacy Fund and standards and model curriculum for financial literacy, regarding public school cellular telephone policies, regarding grade band specifications for properly certified or licensed teachers, regarding an educational program for parents of preschool children who are blind or visually impaired, to make changes to the Pupil Transportation Pilot Program, to correct a reference from the State Board of Education to the Director of Education and Workforce, and to amend the versions of sections 3301.079 and 3314.03 of the Revised Code that are scheduled to take effect January 1, 2025, to continue the changes on and after that date, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **Sub. H. B. No. 250**, pass?"

Senator Dolan moved to amend as follows:

In line 5 of the title, delete "Section" and insert "Sections"; after "265.550" insert ", 307.10, and 307.140"

In line 18 of the title, delete the second "and"

In line 22 of the title, after "date" insert ", and to make an appropriation for the Adoption Grant Program"

In line 2097, delete "Section" and insert "Sections"; after "265.550" insert ", 307.10, and 307.140"

After line 2196, insert:

"**Sec. 307.10.**

	1	2	3	4	5
A			JFS DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES		
B	General Revenue Fund				
C	GRF	600410	TANF State Maintenance of Effort	$149,268,000	$149,268,000

D	GRF	600450	Program Operations	$197,705,000	$199,975,000
E	GRF	600502	Child Support- Local	$26,400,000	$26,400,000
F	GRF	600521	Family Assistance - Local	$53,248,000	$53,248,000
G	GRF	600533	Child, Family, and Community Protection Services	$13,500,000	$13,500,000
H	GRF	600534	Adult Protective Services	$9,720,000	$9,720,000
I	GRF	600551	Job and Family Services Program Support	$750,000	$750,000
J	GRF	600561	Parenting and Pregnancy Program	$7,000,000	$7,000,000
K	GRF	600562	Adoption Grant Program	~~$15,000,000~~ $34,000,000	~~$15,000,000~~ $34,000,000
L	GRF	655425	Medicaid Program Support	$15,605,000	$15,673,000
M	GRF	655522	Medicaid Program Support - Local	$44,000,000	$49,000,000
N	GRF	655523	Medicaid Program Support - Local Transportation	$43,530,000	$43,530,000
O	TOTAL GRF General Revenue Fund			~~$575,726,000~~	~~$583,064,000~~

				$594,726,000	$602,064,000
P	Dedicated Purpose Fund Group				
Q	4A80	600658	Public Assistance Activities	$19,900,000	$19,900,000
R	4A90	600607	Unemployment Compensation Administration Fund	$11,400,000	$11,400,000
S	4E70	600604	Family and Children Services Collections	$650,000	$650,000
T	5AJ1	6006A8	Foodbanks	$7,500,000	$7,500,000
U	5CV3	6006A5	Foodbank Assistance ARPA	$10,000,000	$0
V	5DM0	600633	Audit Settlements and Contingency	$1,000,000	$1,000,000
W	5DM0	6006A9	Benefit Bridge	$3,000,000	$5,000,000
X	5DM0	6006B1	Employment Incentive Program	$1,500,000	$1,500,000
Y	5ES0	600630	Food Bank Assistance	$500,000	$500,000
Z	5RX0	600699	Workforce Development Projects	$500,000	$500,000
AA	5TZ0	600674	Childrens Crisis Care	$985,000	$1,235,000
AB	5U60	600663	Family and Children Support	$6,932,065	$7,787,465

AC	TOTAL DPF Dedicated Purpose Fund Group				$63,867,065	$56,972,465
AD	Internal Service Activity Fund Group					
AE	5HL0	600602	State and County Shared Services		$2,000,000	$2,000,000
AF	TOTAL ISA Internal Service Activity Fund Group				$2,000,000	$2,000,000
AG	Fiduciary Fund Group					
AH	1920	600646	Child Support Intercept - Federal		$100,000,000	$100,000,000
AI	5830	600642	Child Support Intercept - State		$13,000,000	$13,000,000
AJ	5B60	600601	Food Assistance Intercept		$4,000,000	$4,000,000
AK	TOTAL FID Fiduciary Fund Group				$117,000,000	$117,000,000
AL	Holding Account Fund Group					
AM	R012	600643	Refunds and Audit Settlements		$500,000	$500,000
AN	TOTAL HLD Holding Account Fund Group				$500,000	$500,000
AO	Federal Fund Group					
AP	3310	600615	Veterans Programs		$11,872,779	$11,893,147
AQ	3310	600624	Employment Services		$30,454,022	$30,882,752

AR	3310	600686	Workforce Programs	$3,926,746	$3,980,332
AS	3840	600610	Food Assistance Programs	$245,396,656	$236,482,931
AT	3850	600614	Refugee Services	$23,157,277	$12,375,030
AU	3950	600616	Federal Discretionary Grants	$8,367,273	$5,047,878
AV	3960	600620	Social Services Block Grant	$38,191,659	$38,280,049
AW	3970	600626	Child Support - Federal	$205,929,146	$205,192,248
AX	3F01	655624	Medicaid Program Support - Federal	$220,005,026	$220,103,397
AY	3S50	600622	Child Support Projects	$534,050	$534,050
AZ	3V00	600688	Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Programs	$165,190,735	$165,578,756
BA	3V40	600632	Trade Programs	$29,560,798	$29,727,681
BB	3V40	600678	Federal Unemployment Programs	$132,198,612	$131,184,431
BC	3V40	600679	Unemployment Compensation Review Commission - Federal	$6,830,615	$6,948,482

BD	3V60	600689	TANF Block Grant	$814,044,607	$818,722,142
BE	TOTAL FED Federal Fund Group			$1,935,660,001	$1,916,933,306
BF	~~TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS~~			~~$2,694,753,066~~	~~$2,676,469,771~~
BG	TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS			$2,713,753,066	$2,695,469,771

Sec. 307.140. ADOPTION GRANT PROGRAM

The foregoing appropriation item 600562, Adoption Grant Program, shall be used, in consultation with the Department of Children and Youth, to administer grants to adoptive parents through the Adoption Grant Program, in accordance with sections 5101.191 and 5101.192 of the Revised Code.

On July 1, 2024, or as soon as possible thereafter, the Director of Job and Family Services may certify to the Director of Budget and Management an amount up to the unexpended, unencumbered balance of the foregoing appropriation item 600562, Adoption Grant Program, at the end of fiscal year 2024 to be reappropriated to fiscal year 2025. The amount certified is hereby reappropriated to the same appropriation item for the same purpose for fiscal year 2025."

In line 2197, delete "Section" and insert "Sections"; after "265.550" insert ", 307.10, and 307.140"

In line 2198, delete "is" and insert "are"

The question being, “Shall the amendment be agreed to?”

The motion to amend was agreed to.

The question recurred, "Shall the bill, **Sub. H. B. No. 250**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Antonio, Cirino, Gavarone, Hackett, Huffman, S.,

Johnson, Manning, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Rulli, Schuring, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

Sub. S. B. No. 109-Senator Hackett.
Cosponsors: Senators Dolan, Manning.

To amend sections 149.43, 2105.062, 2305.111, 2907.01, 2907.02, 2907.03, 2907.06, 2907.17, 2907.18, 2921.22, 2929.42, 2950.01, 2950.151, 2971.01, 3107.07, 3109.50, 3111.04, 4730.25, 4730.26, 4730.32, 4730.99, 4731.22, 4731.224, 4731.99, 4759.05, 4759.07, 4759.99, 4760.13, 4760.14, 4760.16, 4760.99, 4761.03, 4761.09, 4761.14, 4761.99, 4762.13, 4762.14, 4762.16, 4762.99, 4774.13, 4774.14, 4774.16, 4774.99, 4778.14, 4778.18, and 4778.99 and to enact sections 4731.2210, 4759.14, and 4778.171 of the Revised Code regarding sex offenses and individuals regulated by the State Medical Board and to amend the version of section 2305.111 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect October 12, 2028, to continue the change on and after that date, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **Sub. S. B. No. 109**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Antonio, Brenner, Cirino, Craig, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, S., Ingram, Johnson, Kunze, Reineke, Romanchuk, Rulli, Schaffer, Schuring, Smith, Sykes, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

S. B. No. 214-Senator Kunze.
Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, DeMora, Manning, Smith, Sykes.

To amend section 2953.36 of the Revised Code to allow a victim of human trafficking to expunge certain criminal records, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **S. B. No. 214**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blessing	Brenner	Chavez
Cirino	Craig	DeMora	Dolan
Gavarone	Hackett	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman, S.
Ingram	Johnson	Kunze	Landis
Lang	Manning	McColley	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Rulli	Schaffer	Schuring	Smith
Sykes	Wilkin	Wilson	Huffman, M.-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Blessing, Cirino, Craig, Dolan, Gavarone, Hackett, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, S., Ingram, Johnson, Landis, Reineke, Reynolds, Romanchuk, Rulli, Wilkin, Wilson."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

MOTIONS

Senator Gavarone moved that Senators absent the week of Sunday, April 21, 2024, be excused, so long as a written explanation is on file with the Clerk pursuant to Senate Rule No. 17.

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

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

S. R. No. 352 - Senator Manning.
Honoring Brookside High School on its Centennial.

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

On the motion of Senator McColley, the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, April 30, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest: VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.