

OHIO SUB HB54

Please expedite the amending of SUB HB54 into the transportation budget to remove the improperly inserted ramp requiring language. The language only applies to and discriminates against the City of Brunswick in the entire state. Major highway exit ramps do not belong in residential neighborhoods for a multitude of reasons, none which are good! This issue has caused 1,100 members of Residents Opposed to I71 Interchange, and countless others over a year of grief and anguish in both Strongsville and Brunswick since March 29th, 2023, almost two years. Current NOACCA studies confirm previous studies that an interchange exit in Brunswick will **NOT** either help or alleviate the traffic problems at Rt. 82 and I71 in Strongsville. SB 155 passed the Senate by a vote of 30-1, was passed unanimously by the House Economic and Workforce Development Committee, and nobody testified in opposition to this bill in the House Committee. The City of Strongsville is trying to pass off their traffic issues (due to over development) to the much smaller City of Brunswick. Strongsville continues to expand and announced a major new commercial and entertainment complex at the same Southpark Mall location which will further increase their traffic issue at Rt. 82 and I71. Now Strongsville has announced the expansion of their Drake Rd. industrial parkway to reach Boston Rd. The intent is to route truck traffic through Brunswick via Boston Rd. Enough is enough!