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#### NINTH DAY Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio **Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 9:30 a.m.**

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

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

Senator Blackshear was selected to preside according to the rule.

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

#### INTRODUCTION AND FIRST CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and considered for the first time: **S. B. No. 64** - Senator Cutrona.

To amend sections 955.54 and 959.99 and to enact section 959.23 of the Revised Code to increase the penalties for violating companion animal cruelty offenses and to prohibit a felony animal abuse offender from owning a companion animal in certain circumstances.

S. B. No. 65 - Senator Lang.

To amend sections 1317.05, 3905.426, 4501.01, 4503.21, 4505.08, 4509.06, 4509.70, 4513.071, 4513.38, and 4513.41 and to enact sections 1310.251, 4503.183, 4503.211, and 4505.072 of the Revised Code to modify the law governing ancillary product protection contracts, vehicle value protection agreements, replica and rental motor vehicles, and uninsured drivers.

S. B. No. 66 - Senators O'Brien, Lang.

Cosponsors: Senators Koehler, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Roegner, Brenner.

To amend section 319.301 of the Revised Code to include emergency levies, substitute levies, all inside millage, and school district income taxes in the calculation of a school district's effective millage floor.

S. B. No. 67 - Senators Liston, Romanchuk.

To amend sections 5107.05, 5107.10, and 5107.20 of the Revised Code regarding the pass-through of support payments under the Ohio Works First program.

S. B. No. 68 - Senator Romanchuk.

To amend sections 3317.02, 3317.02, 3317.03, and 5747.75 and to enact sections 3310.21, 3310.22, 3310.23, 3310.24, 3310.25, and 3310.26 of the Revised Code to establish the Nonchartered Educational Savings Account Program and to make an appropriation.

S. B. No. 69 - Senator Romanchuk.

To declare the General Assembly's intent to enact legislation to reform the law governing the state's public retirement systems.

#### S. B. No. 70 - Senator Antonio.

Cosponsors: Senators Blackshear, Craig, DeMora, Hicks-Hudson, Liston, Smith, Weinstein, Ingram.

To amend sections 4112.01 and 4112.05 of the Revised Code to enact the Ohio Fairness Act to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity or expression, to add mediation as an informal method that the Ohio Civil Rights Commission may use, and to uphold existing religious exemptions under Ohio's Civil Rights Law.

**S. B. No. 71** - Senators Antonio, Liston. Cosponsors: Senators Craig, DeMora, Hicks-Hudson, Smith, Weinstein, Ingram.

To enact sections 4723.95, 4731.45, 4732.34, 4743.11, 4757.46, and 4758.73 of the Revised Code to prohibit certain licensed health care professionals from engaging in conversion therapy for minor patients.

**S. B. No. 72** - Senators Hicks-Hudson, DeMora. Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Smith, Craig.

To enact sections 2749.01, 2749.02, 2749.03, 2749.04, 2749.05, 2749.06, 2749.07, 2749.08, 2749.09, and 2749.10 of the Revised Code regarding filing false or fraudulent claims with the state and defrauding the state of money or property.

S. B. No. 73 - Senators Hicks-Hudson, Ingram.

Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Smith, Antonio, Craig, DeMora.

To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, 3328.24, and 4112.01 and to enact section 3313.6612 of the Revised Code to enact the Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair (CROWN) Act to prohibit discrimination against an individual based on hair texture and protective hair styles.

**S. B. No. 74** - Senators Hicks-Hudson, Smith. Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Liston, Craig, DeMora.

To enact sections 4145.01, 4145.02, 4145.03, 4145.04, 4145.05, and 4145.06 of the Revised Code to create the fair paycheck workplace certificate.

**S. B. No. 75** - Senators Hicks-Hudson, Ingram. Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Smith, Craig, DeMora.

To amend section 2923.20 of the Revised Code to increase the penalty for failure to report a lost or stolen firearm.

**S. B. No. 76** - Senators Hicks-Hudson, DeMora. Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Smith, Craig.

To amend sections 125.25, 153.02, and 5513.06 of the Revised Code regarding the debarment of state vendors.

**S. B. No. 77** - Senators Hicks-Hudson, Smith. Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Craig.

To enact section 4112.041 of the Revised Code to require the Ohio Civil Rights Commission to establish a system for individuals to anonymously report wage discrimination.

**S. B. No. 78** - Senators Hicks-Hudson, DeMora. Cosponsors: Senators Weinstein, Liston, Smith, Antonio, Craig.

To amend section 109.02 and to enact sections 3920.01, 3920.02, 3920.03, 3920.04, 3920.05, 3920.06, 3920.07, 3920.08, 3920.09, 3920.10, 3920.11, 3920.12, 3920.13, 3920.14, 3920.15, 3920.21, 3920.22, 3920.23, 3920.24, 3920.25, 3920.26, 3920.27, 3920.28, 3920.31, 3920.32, and 3920.33 of the Revised Code to establish and operate the Ohio Health Care Plan to provide universal health care coverage to all Ohio residents.

S. B. No. 79 - Senators Blessing, Blackshear.

To amend sections 1331.01, 1331.04, and 1331.16 and to enact sections 1331.05 and 1331.50 of the Revised Code to regulate the use of pricing algorithms.

**S. B. No. 80** - Senators Ingram, Blackshear. Cosponsor: Senator Craig.

To amend section 1327.70 of the Revised Code to authorize a county to implement a motor fuel quality testing program.

S. B. No. 81 - Senator Patton.

To amend sections 323.152, 323.153, 323.156, 323.158, 4503.06, 4503.066, 4503.067, 4503.069, and 4503.0610 and to enact section 4503.0612 of the Revised Code to authorize a property tax freeze for certain owner-occupied homes.

S. B. No. 82 - Senators DeMora, Gavarone.

To amend section 149.43 of the Revised Code to specify that certain election officials are designated public service workers for purposes of the public records law.

**S. B. No. 83** - Senators Reynolds, Craig. Cosponsors: Senators Smith, Ingram, Weinstein.

To amend sections 319.20, 1923.06, 1923.08, 1923.09, 3781.10, and 5321.17 and to enact sections 120.522, 120.531, 319.204, 1923.111, 1923.16, and 3781.181 of the Revised Code to revise the law governing eviction, residential building code enforcement, and real property transfers.

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**S. B. No. 84** - Senators Brenner, Craig. Cosponsors: Senators Ingram, Weinstein, Lang, Romanchuk, Liston, Blackshear, Wilson.

To enact section 5.57 of the Revised Code to designate September 19th as "Stillbirth Prevention Day."

#### S. B. No. 85 - Senators Smith, Craig.

Cosponsors: Senators Ingram, Antonio, Weinstein, Blackshear.

To amend section 4501.21 and to enact section 4503.589 of the Revised Code to create the "Ohio NAACP" license plate.

S. B. No. 86 - Senators Huffman, Wilkin.

To amend sections 131.02, 715.013, 928.01, 928.03, 4506.01, 5502.01, 5502.13, 5502.14, 5703.052, 5703.053, 5703.19, 5703.263, 5703.50, 5703.70, and 5703.77 and to enact sections 3779.01, 3779.02, 3779.03, 3779.04, 3779.05, 3779.06, 3779.21, 3779.22, 3779.23, 3779.24, 3779.25, 3779.26, 3779.27, 3779.28, 3779.29, 3779.40, 3779.41, 3779.42, 3779.43, 3779.431, 3779.44, 3779.45, 3779.451, 3779.46, 3779.47, 3779.48, and 3779.99 of the Revised Code to generally prohibit the sale of intoxicating hemp products, except for sales at licensed dispensaries; to regulate drinkable cannabinoid products, and to levy taxes on drinkable cannabinoid products and other intoxicating hemp products that may be sold.

#### **OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS**

Senators Reynolds, Lang offered the following joint resolution:

S. J. R. No. 3-Senators Reynolds, Lang.

Cosponsor: Senator Reineke.

Application to the Congress of the United States for a Convention of the States under Article V of the Constitution of the United States that is limited to proposing amendments that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and Members of Congress.

The question being, "Shall the joint resolution, S. J. R. No. 3, be adopted?

On the motion of Senator DeMora, **S. J. R. No. 3**, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Senator Schaffer offered the following resolution:

S. R. No. 21-Senator Schaffer.

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Koehler, Liston, DeMora, O'Brien, Wilkin, Weinstein, Smith.

To urge the U.S. Congress to support the provision of prompt and

comprehensive mental health treatment to military personnel and veterans who are suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and other service-related stress disorders.

The question being, "Shall the resolution, S. R. No. 21, be adopted?

On the motion of Senator DeMora, S. R. No. 21, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Senator Schaffer offered the following resolution:

S. R. No. 22-Senator Schaffer.

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Koehler, Cirino, DeMora, O'Brien, Weinstein, Smith, Wilson, Wilkin.

To urge the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and the United States Congress to take prompt action to reduce the processing time for veterans' disability benefit claims.

The question being, "Shall the resolution, S. R. No. 22, be adopted?

On the motion of Senator DeMora, S. R. No. 22, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 55, the following resolutions were offered:

#### S. R. No. 23 - Senator DeMora.

Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, Blackshear, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, Ingram, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Liston, Manchester, Manning, McColley, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Timken, Weinstein, Wilkin, Wilson.

Honoring Urban Meyer on being inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame.

#### S. R. No. 24 - Senator DeMora.

Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, Blackshear, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, Ingram, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Liston, Manchester, Manning, McColley, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Timken, Weinstein, Wilkin, Wilson.

Honoring The Ohio State University football team as the 2025 College Football Playoff National Champion.

S. R. No. 25 - Senator McColley.

Honoring Fulton County on its One Hundred Seventy-fifth Anniversary.

S. R. No. 26 - Senator DeMora.

Cosponsors: Senators Antonio, Blackshear, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Huffman, Ingram, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Liston, Manchester, Manning, McColley, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Timken, Weinstein, Wilkin, Wilson.

Honoring Kathleen A. Luikart on her retirement from the Ohio Legislative Service Commission.

S. R. No. 27 - Senator McColley.

Cosponsors: Senators Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Cutrona, Gavarone, Huffman, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Manchester, Manning, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Timken, Wilkin, Wilson.

Honoring Maggie Purdy for outstanding service to the State of Ohio.

S. R. No. 28 - Senator McColley.

Cosponsors: Senators Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Cutrona, Gavarone, Huffman, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Manchester, Manning, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Timken, Wilkin, Wilson.

Honoring Theresea Varrasso for outstanding service to the Ohio Senate.

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

So the resolutions were adopted.

#### **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, Roy Aaron Adams, from Wheelersburg, Scioto County, Ohio, as a Member of the Shawnee State University Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business June 30, 2033, replacing Scott D. Evans, whose term expired.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Breann Gonzalez Almos, from Bexley, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Commission on Hispanic-Latino Affairs for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2026, replacing Yahaira Rose, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Rodney H. Arter, Democrat, from Croton, Licking County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business December 1, 2030, replacing Lizabeth E. Lafferty, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Kristin

N. Aspin, from Ashland, Ashland County, Ohio, as a Member of the North Central State College Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business January 16, 2027, replacing Kristin N. Aspin, whose term expired.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Abass M. Bangura, from Reynoldsburg, Fairfield County, Ohio, as a Member of the New African Immigrants Commission for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2027, replacing Abass M. Bangura, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, David R. Baugh, from Pickerington, Fairfield County, Ohio, as a Member of the Board of Building Appeals for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 13, 2028, replacing Porter R. Welch, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Scott P. Borgemenke, Republican, from Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Casino Control Commission for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and ending at the close of business February 21, 2025, replacing Lynn C. Slaby, who resigned.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Merom Brachman, Republican, from Bexley, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ethics Commission for a new term beginning January 2, 2025 and ending at the close of business January 1, 2031, replacing Merom Brachman, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

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Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint,

Timothy W. Brown, from Grand Rapids, Wood County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Lake Erie Commission for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business September 1, 2027, replacing William J. Wolf, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

### STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Michelle C. Burke, from Rocky River, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Lake Erie Commission for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business September 1, 2027, replacing James V. Stouffer, Jr., whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

### STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Sara P. Carruthers, from Hamilton, Butler County, Ohio, as a Member of the State Board of Education for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and ending at the close of business December 31, 2028, replacing Melissa Hand Bedell, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Dennis M. Clough, Republican, from Westlake, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the State Fire Council for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business November 1, 2029, replacing Dennis M. Clough, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, John R. Corlett, Democrat, from Lakewood, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Advisory Council for the Aging for a term beginning December 13, 2024 and ending at the close of business November 21, 2027, replacing John R. Corlett, whose term expired.

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 13th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Misty

Crosby, Independent, from Belpre, Washington County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Advisory Council for the Aging for a term beginning December 13, 2024 and ending at the close of business November 21, 2027, replacing Misty Crosby, whose term expired.

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 13th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Andrew E. Doehrel, Independent, from Galena, Delaware County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business December 1, 2030, replacing Andrew E. Doehrel, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

### STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Diane M. Downing, from Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the Cleveland State University Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business May 1, 2033, replacing Lisa Kunkle, whose term expired.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, William G. Ebbing, from New Albany, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Miami University Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business February 28, 2025, replacing Sandra Drabik Collins, who resigned.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Jose C. Feliciano, Jr., from Aurora, Portage County, Ohio, as a Member of the Commission on Hispanic-Latino Affairs for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2026, replacing Jose C. Feliciano, Jr., whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Amy Malone Fugate, from Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, as a Member of the

State Board of Education for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and ending at the close of business December 31, 2028, replacing Amy Malone Fugate, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Mary B. Hammond, from Findlay, Hancock County, Ohio, as a Member of the Owens State Community College Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business September 21, 2030, replacing Mary B. Hammond, whose term expired.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Amy L. Holtshouse, Democrat, from Fairview Park, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Water Development Authority for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business June 30, 2032, replacing William G. Stanley, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Lori Kershner, from Springboro, Warren County, Ohio, as a Member of the State Board of Education for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and ending at the close of business December 31, 2028, replacing Martha A. Manchester, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Trinity A. Kronk, from Rocky River, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, as a Student Member of the Northeast Ohio Medical University Board of Trustees for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business June 29, 2026, replacing Olivia Safady, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Maria

S. Martinez, from Hamler, Henry County, Ohio, as a Member of the Commission on Hispanic-Latino Affairs for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2027, replacing Maria S. Martinez, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Christine Morrison, Republican, from Dublin, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Capitol Square Review and Advisory Board for a term beginning December 16, 2024 and continuing at the pleasure of the Governor, replacing Stephanie McCloud.

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 16th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

### STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Todd L. Poole, Independent, from Delaware, Delaware County, Ohio, as a Member of the State Fire Council for a term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business November 1, 2029, replacing Todd L. Poole, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Douglas J. Preisse, Republican, from Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business December 1, 2030, replacing Douglas J. Preisse, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Travis Reiff, from Bowling Green, Wood County, Ohio, as a Member of the Owens State Community College Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business September 21, 2030, replacing Travis Reiff, whose term expired.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Anita G. Rice, from St. Clairsville, Belmont County, Ohio, as a Member of the

Belmont College Board of Trustees for a term beginning November 8, 2024 and ending at the close of business May 12, 2027, replacing Anita G. Rice, whose term expired.

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 8th day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Elizabeth M. Riczko, from Fairfield Township, Butler County, Ohio, as a Member of the Bureau of Workers' Compensation Board of Directors for a term beginning November 21, 2024 and ending at the close of business June 11, 2025, replacing Terry S. Jacobs, who resigned.

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 21st day of November in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Juan M. Rivera, from Youngstown, Mahoning County, Ohio, as a Member of the Commission on Hispanic-Latino Affairs for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2027, replacing Juan M. Rivera, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Gloria J. Rodgers, from Stow, Summit County, Ohio, as a Member of the State Board of Education for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and ending at the close of business December 31, 2028, replacing Sue E. Hackett, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Mary J. Santiago, from Lorain, Lorain County, Ohio, as a Member of the Commission on Hispanic-Latino Affairs for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2026, replacing Mary J. Santiago, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Vernon Sykes, Democrat, from Akron, Summit County, Ohio, as a Member of the

Ohio Civil Rights Commission for a term beginning January 1, 2025 and ending at the close of business July 28, 2029, replacing Madhu K. Singh, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Edgar Vidales, from Etna, Licking County, Ohio, as a Member of the Commission on Hispanic-Latino Affairs for a new term beginning December 19, 2024 and ending at the close of business October 7, 2027, replacing Michael G. Florez, whose term expired.

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 19th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

[Seal]

Mike DeWine, Governor.

# STATE OF OHIO EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR COLUMBUS

I, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby appoint, Karin Small Wurapa, Independent, from Blacklick, Franklin County, Ohio, as a Member of the Ohio Advisory Council for the Aging for a term beginning December 13, 2024 and ending at the close of business November 21, 2027, replacing Karin Small Wurapa, whose term expired.

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 13th day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

Mike DeWine, Governor.

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

# **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Pursuant to Section 3505.063(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints the following members to prepare arguments in favor of H.J.R. 8 of the 135th General Assembly:

Senator Brian Chavez Senator Hearcel Craig

On the motion of Senator DeMora, the Senate adjourned until Monday, February 10, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN, Clerk.