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NINETY-THIRD DAY Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio **Tuesday, December 9, 2025, 1:30 p.m.**

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer was offered by Senator Terry Johnson, 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 Wilkin requested a moment of silence in honor of Highland County Auditor, Bill Fawley, who passed away on November 29, 2025.

REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Sub. S. B. No. 56-Senator Huffman.

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Cirino, Reineke, Reynolds, Schaffer, Wilson Representatives Stewart, Willis, Brennan, Brewer, Brownlee, Callender, Fowler Arthur, Humphrey, John, Newman, Odioso, Plummer, Sigrist, Synenberg, Williams, Young.

To amend sections 9.79, 109.572, 131.02, 519.21, 715.013, 928.01, 928.03, 3376.07, 3796.01, 3796.02, 3796.03, 3796.05, 3796.06, 3796.07, 3796.09, 3796.10, 3796.12, 3796.13, 3796.14, 3796.15, 3796.17, 3796.18, 3796.19, 3796.20, 3796.21, 3796.22, 3796.23, 3796.24, 3796.27, 3796.28, 3796.29, 3796.30, 3796.31, 4506.01, 4735.18, 4796.25, 5502.01, 5502.13, 5502.14, 5703.052, 5703.053, 5703.19, 5703.263, 5703.50, 5703.70, 5703.77, 5713.30, and 5743.45; to amend, for the purpose of adopting a new section number as indicated in parentheses, section 3780.37 (3796.34); to enact sections 928.08, 2953.321, 3779.01, 3779.02, 3779.021, 3779.022, 3779.03, 3779.031, 3779.032, 3779.04, 3779.05, 3779.051, 3779.06, 3779.07, 3779.08, 3779.09, 3779.10, 3779.11, 3779.21, 3779.22, 3779.221, 3779.23, 3779.24, 3779.25, 3779.26, 3779.27, 3779.28, 3779.29, 3779.30, 3779.40, 3779.41, 3779.42, 3779.43, 3779.431, 3779.44, 3779.45, 3779.451, 3779.46, 3779.47, 3779.48, 3779.99, 3796.04, 3796.062, 3796.221, 3796.32, 3796.33, 3796.40, 3796.99, and 5119.171; and to repeal sections 3780.01, 3780.02, 3780.03, 3780.04, 3780.05, 3780.06, 3780.07, 3780.08, 3780.09, 3780.10, 3780.11, 3780.12, 3780.13, 3780.14, 3780.15, 3780.16, 3780.17, 3780.20, 3780.21, 3780.22, 3780.24, 3780.25, 3780.26, 3780.27, 3780.28, 3780.29, 3780.30, 3780.31, 3780.32, 3780.33, 3780.34, 3780.35, 3780.36, 3780.90, 3780.99, and 3796.021 of the Revised Code to revise specified provisions of the liquor control, hemp, and adult-use marijuana laws, to levy taxes on certain hemp products, and to make an appropriation, was taken up.

The question being, "Shall the report of the committee of conference be agreed to?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 22, nays 7, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Blessing	Brenner	Chavez	Cirino
Cutrona	Gavarone	Huffman	Johnson
Koehler	Landis	Manchester	Manning
O'Brien	Patton	Reineke	Reynolds
Roegner	Schaffer	Timken	Wilkin
Wilson			McColley-22

Senators Antonio, Blackshear, Craig, DeMora, Liston, Smith, and Weinstein voted in the negative-7.

So the report of committee of conference was agreed to.

MOTIONS

Senator Gavarone moved that Senators absent the week of Sunday, December 7, 2025, 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. 246 - Senator Johnson.

Cosponsors: Senators Chavez, Liston, Reineke, Smith.

Honoring the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine on its Fiftieth Anniversary.

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

So the resolution was adopted.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has signed the following bills:

H. B. No. 29-Representatives Humphrey, John – et al.

Am. H. B. No. 114-Representatives Bird, Ritter – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 129-Representative Thomas, D. – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 184-Representatives Stewart, Mathews, T. – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 186-Representatives Hoops, Thomas, D. – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 246-Representatives Swearingen, Fischer – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 247-Representatives Miller, K., Lawson-Rowe – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 309-Representative Thomas, D. – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 335-Representative Thomas, D. – et al.

H. B. No. 440-Representatives Deeter, Stewart – et al.

Am. S. B. No. 17-Senators Reynolds, Craig – et al.

Sub. S. B. No. 103-Senator Wilkin – et al.

Sub. S. B. No. 217-Senator Landis – et al.

Sub. S. B. No. 293-Senators Gavarone, Brenner – et al.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young, Clerk.

The President signed said bills.

On the motion of Senator Reineke, the Senate adjourned until Monday, December 15, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN, Clerk.