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Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Tuesday, October 14, 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 Brenner 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. 291 - Senators Manning, Reynolds.

To amend sections 2925.11, 2929.15, 2929.20, 2929.25, 2951.02, and 2951.07 of the Revised Code to change the maximum periods of community control sanctions authorized for felonies and misdemeanors and to modify the confinement sanctions authorized for a technical violation of community control sanction conditions.

S. B. No. 292 - Senator Blessing.

To amend sections 2305.01, 2307.80, 2315.18, 2315.21, 2323.43, 2744.05, and 3345.40 of the Revised Code to increase the dollar caps on noneconomic damages and punitive or exemplary damages in civil actions and to provide a procedure for the Department of Taxation to make annual adjustments of those caps based on the consumer price index.

S. B. No. 293 - Senator Gavarone. Brenner.

To amend sections 3509.05, 3511.09, and 3511.11 of the Revised Code to require all marked absent voter's ballots to be delivered to the board of elections by the close of the polls on Election Day in order to be counted.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

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

S. R. No. 203 - Senator Landis.

Honoring Kennedy's Bakery on its Centennial.

S. R. No. 204 - Senator Cutrona.

Honoring the East Palestine Fire Department on its One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary.

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

So the resolutions were adopted.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has adopted the following concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

H. C. R. No. 21 -Representative Schmidt

Cosponsors: Representatives Ray, Hiner, Barhorst, Holmes, Johnson, Click, Fowler Arthur, Hall, T., Deeter, Newman, King, Synenberg, Stephens, Williams, Miller, J., Pizzulli, Robb Blasdel, Salvo, Demetriou, Hoops, Brownlee, Claggett, Richardson, Kishman, Brennan, Bird, Miller, M., Gross, John, Fischer, Santucci, Abrams, White, A., McClain, Workman, Mathews, T., Lawson-Rowe, Craig, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Hall, D., Lampton, McNally, Abdullahi, Baker, Brewer, Callender, Cockley, Creech, Daniels, Glassburn, Grim, Isaacsohn, Jarrells, Klopfenstein, LaRe, Lear, Lett, Lorenz, Manning, Mathews, A., Miller, K., Mohamed, Oelslager, Peterson, Plummer, Ritter, Roemer, Rogers, Russo, Sims, Swearingen, Sweeney, Thomas, C., Tims, Troy, Upchurch, White, E., Willis, Young

To recognize the 250th anniversary of the United States Marine Corps.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The question being, “Shall the concurrent resolution, **H. C. R. No. 21**, be adopted?”

On the motion of Senator Lang, **H. C. R. No. 21** was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has adopted the following concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

H. C. R. No. 22 -Representatives Roemer, Daniels

Cosponsors: Representatives Claggett, Click, Dovilla, Fowler Arthur, Hall, T., King, Robb Blasdel, Odioso, Bird, John, Newman, Abdullahi, Abrams, Barhorst, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Callender, Cockley, Craig, Creech, Deeter, Demetriou, Fischer, Ghanbari, Glassburn, Gross, Hall, D., Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, Jarrells, Johnson, Kishman, Klopfenstein, LaRe, Lear, Lett, Lorenz,

Mathews, A., Mathews, T., Miller, K., Miller, M., Mohamed, Peterson, Pizzulli, Plummer, Ray, Richardson, Ritter, Rogers, Salvo, Santucci, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Stephens, Stewart, Thomas, C., Thomas, D., Troy, Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Williams, Willis, Workman, Young

To encourage students in grades one through twelve to read the U.S. Declaration of Independence in the classroom during the 2025-2026 school year in celebration of its 250th anniversary.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The question being, “Shall the concurrent resolution, **H. C. R. No. 22**, be adopted?

On the motion of Senator Lang, **H. C. R. No. 22** was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has adopted the following concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

H. C. R. No. 23 -Representatives Newman, Mathews, T.

Cosponsors: Representatives Demetriou, Hoops, Richardson, Claggett, Teska, Odioso, Deeter, Dovilla, Miller, K., Miller, J., King, Williams, Synenberg, Brennan, Hall, T., Klopfenstein, Lawson-Rowe, Craig, Ghanbari, Hall, D., Lampton, McNally, Abrams, Baker, Barhorst, Brewer, Callender, Click, Cockley, Creech, Daniels, Fischer, Fowler Arthur, Glassburn, Gross, Hiner, Holmes, Isaacsohn, Jarrells, John, Johnson, Kishman, LaRe, Lear, Lett, Lorenz, Manning, Mathews, A., McClain, Miller, M., Mohamed, Oelslager, Peterson, Piccolantonio, Pizzulli, Plummer, Ray, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Russo, Salvo, Santucci, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Stephens, Stewart, Sweeney, Thomas, C., Tims, Troy, Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Willis, Workman, Young

To recognize the 250th anniversary of the United States Army and the United States Army Chaplain Corps.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The question being, “Shall the concurrent resolution, **H. C. R. No. 23**, be adopted?”

On the motion of Senator Lang, **H. C. R. No. 23** was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has passed the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

Sub. H. B. No. 129 -Representative Thomas, D.

Cosponsors: Representatives Dean, Fischer, Gross, Hall, T., Johnson, Peterson, Williams, Workman, Craig, Creech, Daniels, Dovilla, Hiner, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, M., Newman, Plummer, Richardson, Roemer, Willis, Young

To amend sections 319.301, 323.32, 5705.01, 5705.03, 5705.194, and 5709.92 and to enact sections 5705.195, 5705.196, and 5705.197 of the Revised Code to generally include fixed-sum levies in the calculation of a school district's millage floor and to authorize, with limitations, school district fixed-sum levies.

Sub. H. B. No. 170 -Representatives Robb Blasdel, Peterson

Cosponsors: Representatives Abrams, Bird, Brennan, Fischer, Mathews, T., Plummer, Salvo, Sigrist, Thomas, D., Williams, Willis, Young

To amend sections 1509.33 and 1509.99 and to enact sections 1509.71, 1509.72, 1509.73, 1509.75, 1509.76, 1509.77, 1509.79, 5301.57, 5301.58, 5301.59, and 5301.60 of the Revised Code to establish a process to regulate carbon capture and storage technologies and the geologic sequestration of carbon dioxide for long-term storage.

Sub. H. B. No. 229 -Representative Deeter

Cosponsors: Representatives Bird, John, Russo, Abdullahi, Baker, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Brownlee, Click, Cockley, Daniels, Dovilla, Fischer, Glassburn, Grim, Hall, D., Hoops, Isaacsohn, Jarrells, Johnson, King, Lampton, Lawson-Rowe, Lett, Manning, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, J., Miller, M., Mohamed, Plummer, Ray, Ritter, Salvo, Santucci, Sigrist, Sims, Thomas, C., Thomas, D., Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Williams, Willis, Workman, Young

To amend section 3959.01 and to enact sections 3957.01, 3957.02, 3957.03, 3957.04, 3957.05, 3957.06, 3957.07, 3957.08, 3957.09, 3957.10, 3957.11, 3957.12, 3957.13, 3957.14, 3957.15, 3957.16, 3957.17, and 3957.99 of the Revised Code to establish a stand-alone licensing process

and new contractual requirements for pharmacy benefit managers.

Am. H. B. No. 260 -Representatives Odioso, Mathews, A.

Cosponsors: Representatives Williams, Abrams, Brennan, Brownlee, Click, Humphrey, Newman, Oelslager, Piccolantonio, Robb Blasdel, Rogers, Schmidt, Sigrist, Swearingen, Synenberg, Tims, Upchurch, Willis, Young

To amend sections 1901.021, 1901.14, 1901.22, 1907.20, 2111.011, 2307.23, 2317.02, 2317.021, 2939.03, 2939.06, 2943.02, 2945.51, 2945.52, 2945.53, and 2945.54 and to repeal sections 1901.16, 1901.41, 1907.21, 1907.231, 2101.12, 2101.121, 2101.14, 2101.141, 2301.141, 2317.03, 2317.42, 2939.02, 2939.20, 2941.021, 2943.04, 2945.30, 2945.31, 2945.33, 2945.34, 2945.41, and 2945.50 of the Revised Code relative to courts and court procedures.

Sub. H. B. No. 309 -Representative Thomas, D.

Cosponsors: Representatives Daniels, Dean, Fischer, Fowler Arthur, Gross, Hall, T., John, Johnson, Peterson, Willis, Workman, Roemer, Glassburn, Brennan, Click, Craig, Creech, Deeter, Demetriou, Dovilla, Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, King, Kishman, Klopfenstein, Lampton, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, M., Newman, Plummer, Richardson, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Salvo, Santucci, Sigrist, Stephens, Troy, Williams, Young

To amend sections 3317.01, 5705.31, 5705.32, and 5705.321 and to enact section 5705.60 of the Revised Code to modify the law governing county budget commissions and property taxation.

H. B. No. 316 -Representative LaRe

Cosponsors: Representatives Willis, Lorenz, Miller, K., Newman, Rogers, Abrams, Brennan, Brownlee, Click, Cockley, Deeter, Demetriou, Dovilla, Fischer, Ghanbari, Grim, Hall, D., Hiner, Hoops, Humphrey, Jarrells, Lampton, Lawson-Rowe, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McNally, Miller, J., Richardson, Robb Blasdel, Russo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Stewart, Thomas, C., Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Young

To enact section 5534.927 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of Chillicothe Lancaster Road in Fairfield County as the "MSGT Norman Michael Kilbarger Memorial Highway."

Am. H. B. No. 434 -Representatives Willis, Lampton

Cosponsors: Representatives Abdullahi, Brennan, Brewer, Claggett, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Glassburn, Grim, Gross, Hall, D., Hall, T., Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, Jarrells, John, King, Kishman, Klopfenstein, Lorenz, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., Miller, J., Mohamed, Newman, Peterson, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Rogers, Schmidt, Stephens, Thomas, C., Tims, Upchurch,

White, A., White, E., Williams, Young

To amend section 4507.21 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 755.20 of H.B. 96 of the 136th General Assembly to exempt certain military-related limited term driver's license applicants from the driver's education requirements, to expand the Drones for First Responders Program, and to declare an emergency.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

Said bills were considered the first time.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Rules No. 19 and 20, the President of the Senate removes Senator Kristina Roegner, as the Chair of the Higher Education Committee and appoints Senator Jane Timken to serve as Chair.

Additionally, pursuant to Rules No. 19 and 20, the President of the Senate removes Senator Jane Timken as the Vice Chair of the High Education Committee and appoints Senator Kristina Roegner to serve as Vice Chair.

On the motion of Senator Lang, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.