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TWENTY-FOURTH DAY
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Tuesday, March 25, 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 Chavez was selected to preside according to the rule.

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

REPORTS OF STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES

Senator Johnson submitted the following report:

The standing committee on Armed Services, Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred **S. C. R. No. 7**-Senator Koehler, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its adoption.

Co-Sponsors: Schaffer, Johnson.

YES - 5: TERRY JOHNSON, STEVE WILSON, HEARCEL F.
 CRAIG, THOMAS F. PATTON, TIM SCHAFFER

NO - 0.

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

The report of the committee was accepted.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and considered for the first time:

S. B. No. 154 - Senator Ingram.

Cosponsors: Senators DeMora, Craig, Antonio, Smith.

To amend sections 3721.60, 3721.61, 3721.62, 3721.63, 3721.65, and 3721.66 of the Revised Code to make changes regarding electronic monitoring of a resident's room in a long-term care facility.

S. B. No. 155 - Senators Brenner, Ingram.

To amend sections 4735.18 and 4735.24 and to enact section 5301.95 of the Revised Code to amend the law related to real estate wholesalers.

S. B. No. 156 - Senator Cutrona.

To enact sections 3301.0717 and 3313.6025 of the Revised Code regarding the success sequence curriculum.

S. B. No. 157 - Senator Lang.

To amend sections 2305.06 and 2305.07 of the Revised Code to reduce the statute of limitations for bringing an action upon a written or oral contract.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

Senator Roegner offered the following resolution:

S. R. No. 68-Senator Roegner.

To support moving NASA headquarters to Ohio.

The question being, “Shall the resolution, **S. R. No. 68**, be adopted?

On the motion of Senator O’Brien, **S. R. No. 68**, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

Senator Reynolds offered the following resolution:

S. R. No. 69-Senator Reynolds.

To recognize the Kingdom of Bhutan as responsible for the oppression and forced eviction of more than 120,000 Bhutanese citizens during the late 1980s and 1990s.

The question being, “Shall the resolution, **S. R. No. 69**, be adopted?

On the motion of Senator O’Brien, **S. R. No. 69**, was referred to the Committee on Rules and Reference.

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

S. R. No. 70 - Senator Schaffer.

Honoring the Pickerington High School North cheer team on winning a 2025 OASSA Division 1 State Cheer Championship.

S. R. No. 71 - Senator McColley.

Honoring the Columbus Grove High School girls basketball team on securing the 2025 Division VI State Championship.

S. R. No. 72 - Senator McColley.

Honoring the City of Findlay on being selected as the 2024 Top Micropolitan in the U.S.

S. R. No. 73 - Senator Landis.

Honoring the Orrville Public Library on its One Hundredth Anniversary.

S. R. No. 74 - Senator Landis.

Honoring Sydney Stevenson on securing a 2025 OATCCC Division II State Indoor Track and Field Championship.

S. R. No. 75 - Senator Landis.

Honoring the Dover High School cheerleading team as a 2025 OASSA Division 3 State Champion.

S. R. No. 76 - Senator Landis.

Honoring Collin Sullivan as a 2025 Division III State Wrestling Champion.

S. R. No. 77 - Senator Schaffer.

Honoring the Village of Millersport on its Bicentennial.

S. R. No. 78 - Senator Romanchuk.

Honoring the Ashland High School boys bowling team as the 2025 Division I State Champion.

S. R. No. 79 - Senator Koehler.

Honoring Alaina Freeze on winning the 2025 OATCCC Division III State Indoor Championship in the pole vault.

S. R. No. 80 - Senator Wilson.

Cosponsors: Senators Blessing, Ingram.

Honoring the Winton Woods High School girls basketball team on securing the 2025 Division II State Championship.

S. R. No. 81 - Senator Cutrona.

Honoring the Austintown Fitch High School competition cheer team as the 2025 OASSA Division 2 Building State Champion.

S. R. No. 82 - Senator Chavez.

Honoring the Waterford High School girls basketball team on securing the 2025 Division VII State Championship.

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 concurred in the passage of the following bill:

Sub. S. B. No. 1 -Senator Cirino

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Chavez, Cutrona, Johnson, Koehler, Lang,

Manchester, O'Brien, Reineke, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Wilkin, Huffman, Timken

Representatives Young, Williams, Barhorst, Bird, Click, Craig, Creech, Dean, Demetriou, Dovilla, Fischer, Fowler Arthur, Gross, Hall, T., Hiner, John, Jones, King, Lear, Lorenz, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, M., Newman, Plummer, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Stewart, Thomas, D., Willis, Workman

To amend sections 3335.02, 3335.09, 3337.01, 3339.01, 3341.02, 3343.02, 3344.01, 3345.45, 3350.10, 3352.01, 3356.01, 3359.01, 3361.01, 3362.01, 3364.01, 4117.14, and 4117.15; to enact new section 3333.045 and sections 3345.029, 3345.0216, 3345.0217, 3345.0218, 3345.0219, 3345.382, 3345.451, 3345.452, 3345.453, 3345.454, 3345.455, 3345.456, 3345.591, 3345.80, and 3345.88; and to repeal section 3333.045 of the Revised Code to enact the Advance Ohio Higher Education Act regarding the operation of state institutions of higher education.

As a substitute bill, in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

Said amendments were laid over under the rule.

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:

H. B. No. 28 -Representatives Mathews, A., Hall, T.

Cosponsors: Representatives Williams, Gross, Fischer, Johnson, Teska, King, Thomas, D., Dean, John, Workman, Roemer, Click, Demetriou, Abrams, Barhorst, Claggett, Craig, Creech, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Fowler Arthur, Glassburn, Hiner, Jones, Lampton, Lear, Lorenz, Mathews, T., Miller, M., Mullins, Newman, Peterson, Plummer, Robb Blasdel, Stephens, Swearingen, Willis, Young

To amend sections 319.301, 319.302, 523.06, 1545.21, 3316.041, 3316.06, 3358.11, 3505.06, 5705.03, 5705.218, 5705.2111, 5705.221, 5705.233, 5705.261, and 5705.412 and to repeal section 5705.192 of the Revised Code to eliminate the authority to levy replacement property tax levies.

H. B. No. 38 -Representative Fowler Arthur

Cosponsors: Representatives Brennan, Deeter, Demetriou, Gross, Hiner, Hoops, Lorenz, Newman, Peterson, Rader, Rogers, Sigrist, Synenberg,

Thomas, C., White, E., Williams, Willis

To enact section 5534.924 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 87 in Geauga County as the "Dr. Steven Takacs Veteran Memorial Highway."

H. B. No. 50 -Representative King

Cosponsors: Representatives Lorenz, Barhorst, Brennan, Click, Deeter, Fowler Arthur, Ghanbari, Gross, Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, Jarrells, Miller, J., Newman, Peterson, Plummer, Richardson, Rogers, Sigrist, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Williams, Willis

To enact section 5533.106 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 47 in Darke County as the "PFC John Wayne Richard Memorial Highway."

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

Said bills were considered the first time.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has concurred in the passage of the following bill:

S. B. No. 24 -Senators Johnson, Huffman

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Antonio, Blackshear, Blessing, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Ingram, Koehler, Landis, Lang, Liston, O'Brien, Patton, Reineke, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Smith, Timken, Weinstein

Representatives Lorenz, Abrams, Barhorst, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Brownlee, Claggett, Click, Creech, Daniels, Dean, Deeter, Demetriou, Denson, Dovilla, Fischer, Fowler Arthur, Grim, Gross, Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, Humphrey, John, Jones, Kishman, Klopfenstein, Lampton, Lear, Manning, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, J., Miller, M., Newman, Odioso, Oelslager, Peterson, Plummer, Rader, Ray, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Rogers, Salvo, Santucci, Schmidt, Sims, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Tims, Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Williams, Willis, Young

To enact section 5.022 of the Revised Code to adopt the 1905 Wright Flyer III as the state airplane.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

Message from the House of Representatives

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform you that the House of Representatives has concurred in the Senate amendments to:

Am. Sub. H. B. No. 54-Representative Stewart – et al.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

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:

Am. Sub. H. B. No. 54-Representative Stewart – et al.

S. B. No. 24-Senators Johnson, Huffman – et al.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The President signed said bills.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 5910.02 of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Terry Johnson to serve on the Ohio War Orphans and Severely Disabled Veterans' Children Scholarship Board for the 136th General Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 3301.61(A)(6)(c) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Terry Johnson to serve on the state council on educational opportunity for military children, Ohio Military Children's Compact Commission, for the 136th General Assembly.

Pursuant to Section 3301.61(A)(6)(d) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Minority Leader of the Senate appoints Senator Casey Weinstein to serve on

the state council on educational opportunity for military children, Ohio Military Children's Compact Commission, for the 136th General Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 197.04(A)(2), the President of the Senate hereby requests the following members be appointed to serve on the Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission for the 136th General Assembly:

Senator Andrew O. Brenner
Senator Casey Weinstein

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 113.56 (A)(3) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Andrew O. Brenner to the STABLE Account Program Advisory Board for the 136th General Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 5740.02 (A)(2) of the Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Louis Blessing, III as an Ohio delegate to the Streamlined Sales Tax Governing Board for the 136th General Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 3333.41(A)(2) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Jerry Cirino to serve on the Midwestern Higher Education Compact Commission for a term ending December 31, 2026.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 107.12(D)(1)(c) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Kyle Koehler to serve on the Governor's Advisory Board of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 123.20(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Andrew Brenner to replace Senator Shane Wilkin to serve as a non-voting member on the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission for the 136th General Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 181.21(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Nathan Manning to serve on the State Criminal Sentencing Commission for the 136th General Assembly.

Pursuant to Section 181.21(A) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Minority Leader of the Senate appoints Senator Catherine Ingram to serve on the State Criminal Sentencing Commission for the 136th General Assembly.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 5120.07 (A)(19) of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints the following members to serve on the Ex-Offender Reentry Coalition for the 136th General Assembly:

Senator Nathan Manning
Senator Paula Hicks-Hudson

On the motion of Senator O'Brien, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, March 26, 2025 at 1:30 p.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.