OHIO SENATE JOURNAL

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2025

EIGHTY-NINTH DAY Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio Tuesday, November 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 Craig 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. 330 - Senator Blackshear.

Cosponsors: Senators Smith, DeMora, Liston.

To enact section 3321.044 of the Revised Code to allow school districts to count mental health days as excused absences and to name this act the Student Wellness Act.

S. B. No. 331 - Senators Wilson, Blackshear.

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Cirino.

To enact section 102.10 of the Revised Code to allow certain public hospitality employees to accept gratuities.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

Pursuant to Senate Rule No. 55, the following resolution was offered:

S. R. No. 241 - Senator Ingram.

Honoring the Seton High School girls volleyball team as the 2025 Division I State Champion.

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 House of Representatives has passed the following bills in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested:

Sub. H. B. No. 59 - Representatives Fowler Arthur, Hiner

Cosponsors: Representatives Brent, Callender, Claggett, Click, Deeter, Ferguson, Ghanbari, Hall, D., Hall, T., Holmes, John, Johnson, Klopfenstein, Lorenz, Mathews, A., Miller, M., Newman, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Roemer,

Russo, Schmidt, Sims, Swearingen, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Upchurch, Williams, Willis, Workman, Young

To amend sections 101.63, 103.27, 1531.40, 1533.631, 1533.72, 1561.11, 1561.13, 1561.15, 1561.23, 1561.26, 1563.24, 1565.04, 1565.05, 1565.06, 3319.2213, 3319.51, 3701.83, 3704.14, 3748.01, 3748.04, 3748.11, 3748.13, 3748.16, 3773.31, 3773.33, 3773.34, 3773.35, 3773.36, 3773.37, 3773.38, 3773.39, 3773.40, 3773.41, 3773.42, 3773.421, 3773.43, 3773.45, 3773.51, 3773.52, 3773.53, 3773.54, 3773.55, 3773.56, 3773.57, 3773.59, 3776.05, 4730.10, 4730.14, 4731.294, 4759.08, 4764.05, 4764.08, 4771.02, 4771.05, 4771.07, 4771.08, 4771.09, 4771.10, 4771.11, 4771.12, 4771.13, 4771.14, 4771.16, 4771.18, 4771.21, 4771.22, 4771.23, 4774.03, 4774.06, and 4774.11; to enact sections 3748.131 and 3773.341; and to repeal sections 1561.17, 3748.12, and 3748.121 of the Revised Code to revise and streamline the state's occupational regulations.

Sub. H. B. No. 88 - Representatives Abrams, Plummer

Cosponsors: Representatives Swearingen, Barhorst, Bird, Brennan, Click, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Fischer, Ghanbari, Gross, Hall, D., Hall, T., Hiner, Holmes, John, Johnson, Lampton, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., Miller, K., Miller, M., Newman, Odioso, Oelslager, Ray, Richardson, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Salvo, Santucci, Schmidt, Sigrist, Stephens, Thomas, C., White, A., Williams, Willis, Workman, Young

To amend sections 2923.31, 2925.01, 2925.03, 2925.11, 2929.14, 3313.60, 3314.03, 3326.11, 3328.24, and 3705.08 and to enact sections 5.57, 2941.1427, 3313.6031, 3313.6032, and 3345.372 of the Revised Code to modify penalties for drug trafficking and possession, to require schools and institutions of higher education to incorporate instruction and policies on fentanyl awareness and abuse prevention, and to designate the month of August as "Fentanyl Poisoning Awareness Month."

Sub. H. B. No. 102 -Representatives Klopfenstein, Williams

Cosponsors: Representatives Bird, Click, Miller, K., Claggett, Deeter, Johnson, Robb Blasdel, John, Newman, Daniels, Brennan, Richardson, Hiner, King, Schmidt, Miller, M., Santucci, Mathews, T., McClain, Abrams, Willis, Barhorst, Creech, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Gross, Hall, D., Hall, T., Holmes, Hoops, Kishman, LaRe, Manning, Mathews, A., Odioso, Oelslager, Peterson, Sigrist, Stephens, Stewart, Thomas, D., White, A., Workman, Young

To amend sections 1923.02, 2950.99, 5321.03, and 5321.051; to amend, for the purpose of adopting a new section number as indicated in parentheses, section 2950.035 (2950.036); and to enact section 2950.035 of the Revised Code to prohibit a sex offender or a child-victim offender from residing within 2,000 feet of the residence of the victim and from loitering within 1,000 feet of the residence of the victim.

Sub. H. B. No. 105 - Representatives Craig, Thomas, J.

Cosponsors: Representatives Lampton, Daniels, Thomas, D., Hall, D., Deeter, King, Lorenz, Barhorst, Brennan, Ghanbari, John, McClain, Odioso, Peterson, Ray, Roemer, Sigrist, Williams, Willis

To enact sections 1357.01, 1357.011, 1357.02, 1357.03, 1357.04, 1357.05, 1357.06, 1357.07, 1357.08, 1357.09, and 1357.10 and to repeal section 1349.55 of the Revised Code to revise and supplement state regulations concerning non-recourse litigation funding agreements.

Sub. H. B. No. 134 -Representatives Gross, Humphrey

Cosponsors: Representatives Fischer, Brennan, Denson, Synenberg, Jarrells, McClain, Ferguson, Deeter, Barhorst, Swearingen, Workman, Dean, Mullins, Sims, McNally, Brewer, Klopfenstein, Newman, Schmidt, Abdullahi, Abrams, Bryant Bailey, Callender, Claggett, Dovilla, Fowler Arthur, Ghanbari, Glassburn, Hall, D., Holmes, John, LaRe, Mathews, A., Miller, M., Mohamed, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Robb Blasdel, Sigrist, Stephens, Upchurch, White, E., Young

To amend sections 3715.01, 3715.021, 3715.022, 3715.023, and 3717.22 and to enact sections 3715.026 and 3715.21 of the Revised Code to authorize the sale of certain homemade foods under a microenterprise home kitchen operation registration.

Am. H. B. No. 297 -Representatives Ritter, Newman

Cosponsors: Representatives Richardson, Mathews, T., Lawson-Rowe, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Hall, D., Lampton, McNally, Abrams, Barhorst, Bird, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Bryant Bailey, Claggett, Click, Deeter, Glassburn, Gross, Hall, T., Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, Humphrey, Isaacsohn, John, Kishman, Klopfenstein, Lett, Miller, J., Miller, M., Odioso, Oelslager, Piccolantonio, Plummer, Ray, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Russo, Salvo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Stewart, Thomas, C., Tims, Troy, Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Workman, Young

To amend section 307.66 of the Revised Code to increase the amount a county may provide to military and veterans organizations, and civic organizations, for Memorial Day expenses.

Sub. H. B. No. 303 -Representatives Ray, Hoops

Cosponsors: Representatives Rader, Brennan, Fischer, Glassburn, Hall, D., Thomas, D., Abrams, Baker, Brent, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Deeter, Dovilla, King, Kishman, Lampton, Miller, J., Newman, Odioso, Piccolantonio, Richardson, Roemer, Russo, Salvo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sweeney, Troy, White, A., Williams, Young

To amend section 4928.02 and to enact sections 1.66, 4934.01, 4934.011, 4934.04, 4934.05, 4934.06, 4934.07, 4934.071, 4934.072, 4934.08, 4934.10,

4934.11, 4934.12, 4934.13, 4934.14, 4934.17, 4934.19, 4934.20, 4934.21, 4934.22, 4934.25, 4934.26, 4934.27, 4934.28, 4934.35, 4934.36, 4934.37, and 4934.38 of the Revised Code to establish the community energy program and pilot program and to define electricity measurement in alternating current.

Sub. H. B. No. 324 - Representatives Mathews, A., Craig

Cosponsors: Representatives Schmidt, Gross, King, Miller, M., Stewart, Barhorst, Bird, Click, Dovilla, Fowler Arthur, Hall, T., John, Mathews, T., McClain, Newman, Odioso, Richardson, Salvo, Thomas, D., Williams, Young

To enact section 3715.39 of the Revised Code to establish conditions on the prescribing of prescription drugs causing severe adverse effects and to name this act the Patient Protection Act.

Sub. H. B. No. 338 - Representatives Johnson, Plummer

Cosponsors: Representatives Schmidt, Robb Blasdel, Thomas, D., Hall, T., Newman, Kishman, Swearingen, Mathews, A., Odioso, Stewart, Williams, Abrams, Barhorst, Bird, Brennan, Claggett, Click, Creech, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Hall, D., Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, John, King, Klopfenstein, LaRe, Lorenz, Manning, Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, K., Miller, M., Oelslager, Peterson, Richardson, Roemer, Salvo, Santucci, Sigrist, Synenberg, Teska, Thomas, C., White, A., Workman, Young

To amend sections 121.03, 2903.01, 2903.11, 2903.13, 2921.36, 2921.38, 2929.03, 2929.14, and 5120.01 and to enact sections 2941.1427, 5120.012, 5120.361, 5120.491, and 5120.85 of the Revised Code to enact Andy's Law to increase the penalty for assaulting or causing the death of specified victims at state or local correctional institutions and to make changes to department of rehabilitation and correction policies and procedures.

H. B. No. 393 -Representatives Click, Brewer

Cosponsors: Representatives Newman, Baker, Barhorst, Bird, Brennan, Brent, Bryant Bailey, Claggett, Daniels, Fischer, Glassburn, Hall, D., Humphrey, Isaacsohn, Lett, Mohamed, Russo, Salvo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Stephens, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Tims, White, A., White, E., Williams, Willis, Young

To amend sections 4507.01, 4507.50, 4507.51, and 4507.52 and to enact section 2301.551 of the Revised Code to require that community-based correctional facilities and programs assist inmates in obtaining state identification cards prior to release.

Am. H. B. No. 397 - Representatives Deeter, Johnson

Cosponsors: Representatives Brennan, Fowler Arthur, Schmidt, King, Klopfenstein, Manning, Miller, K., Newman, Young

To amend section 341.25 of the Revised Code to expand the allowable uses of profits from jail commissary funds.

Sub. H. B. No. 455 - Representatives Manning, Bird

Cosponsors: Representatives Fowler Arthur, Odioso, Brennan, Click, John, Newman, Deeter, Dovilla, Fischer, Hall, D., Hiner, Holmes, Hoops, Lampton, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, M., Peterson, Plummer, Richardson, Ritter, Santucci, Sigrist, Thomas, D., Troy, White, A., Williams, Young

To amend sections 109.57, 109.803, 124.011, 133.06, 135.142, 135.143, 149.41, 2915.092, 2921.44, 3301.07, 3301.079, 3301.0710, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.0716, 3301.0730, 3301.111, 3301.12, 3301.45, 3301.52, 3302.01, 3302.02, 3302.021, 3302.03, 3302.034, 3302.035, 3302.04, 3302.05, 3302.07, 3302.10, 3302.12, 3302.13, 3302.151, 3302.17, 3302.21, 3302.41, 3307.01, 3309.01, 3309.011, 3310.03, 3310.14, 3310.522, 3311.741, 3311.80, 3313.11, 3313.411, 3313.413, 3313.483, 3313.603, 3313.6026, 3313.6028, 3313.61, 3313.611, 3313.612, 3313.614, 3313.618, 3313.6110, 3313.6111, 3313.6112, 3313.6113, 3313.6114, 3313.64, 3313.661, 3313.663, 3313.664, 3313.6611, 3313.7112, 3313.7118, 3313.753, 3313.814, 3313.902, 3314.016, 3314.017, 3314.02, 3314.031, 3314.034, 3314.35, 3314.351, 3314.353, 3315.063, 3315.42, 3316.03, 3316.04, 3316.06, 3316.14, 3317.02, 3317.023, 3317.03, 3317.18, 3317.25, 3319.31, 3319.311, 3319.319, 3319.393, 3320.02, 3320.03, 3325.08, 3326.11, 3327.014, 3333.041, 3333.048, 3333.301, 3345.061, 3365.01, 3365.032, 3365.07, 3728.01, 3737.07, 3781.106, 3792.04, 4117.01, 4723.483, 4723.4811, 4729.01, 4729.513, 4729.541, 4730.433, 4730.437, 4731.92, 4731.96, 5104.53, 5502.262, 5705.212, 5705.213, 5753.11, and 6109.121 and to repeal sections 3301.28, 3301.68, 3302.032, 3302.036, 3302.042, 3302.06, 3302.061, 3302.062, 3302.063, 3302.064, 3302.065, 3302.066, 3302.067, 3302.068, 3313.484, 3313.487, 3313.488, 3313.489, 3313.4810, 3313.615, 3314.354, 3316.041, 3318.60, 3318.61, 3318.62, 3328.01, 3328.02, 3328.03, 3328.04, 3328.11, 3328.12, 3328.13, 3328.14, 3328.15, 3328.16, 3328.17, 3328.18, 3328.19, 3328.191, 3328.192, 3328.193, 3328.20, 3328.21, 3328.22, 3328.23, 3328.24, 3328.241, 3328.25, 3328.26, 3328.27, 3328.29, 3328.30, 3328.31, 3328.32, 3328.34, 3328.35, 3328.36, 3328.37, 3328.38, 3328.41, 3328.45, 3328.50, 3328.52, and 3328.99 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 265.550 of H.B. 33 of the 135th General Assembly as subsequently amended regarding the operation of public schools and the Department of Education and Workforce and to eliminate obsolete provisions of education law and to amend the version of section 3313.902 of the Revised Code that is scheduled to take effect on July 1, 2026, to continue the change on and after that date.

Sub. H. B. No. 476 -Representatives Craig, Thomas, D.

Cosponsors: Representatives Ray, Glassburn, Brennan, Hall, T., Gross, Hiner, Ferguson, Kishman, Robb Blasdel, Stewart, Ritter, Abrams, Bird, Brownlee, Claggett, Creech, Deeter, Dovilla, Fischer, Fowler Arthur, Hall, D., Hoops,

John, Johnson, Lorenz, Manning, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., Miller, J., Mohamed, Moore, Mullins, Roemer, Sigrist, Synenberg, Williams, Young

To amend sections 109.32, 2915.01, 2915.07, 2915.08, 2915.081, 2915.082, 2915.092, 2915.093, 2915.10, 2915.101, and 2915.14; to amend, for the purpose of adopting a new section number as indicated in parentheses, section 2915.092 (2915.16); and to enact sections 2915.17, 2915.18, 2915.19, and 2915.20 of the Revised Code to authorize online raffles and make related changes to the Charitable Gaming Law and to declare an emergency.

Sub. H. B. No. 485 - Representative Miller, M.

Cosponsors: Representatives Click, Gross, King, Mullins, Salvo, Williams, Newman, Fowler Arthur, Barhorst, Claggett, Creech, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Hall, T., Hoops, John, Johnson, Klopfenstein, Lorenz, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, K., Peterson, Plummer, Richardson, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Schmidt, Stewart, Swearingen, Workman, Young

To amend sections 3301.0718, 3302.07, 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact section 3313.6034 of the Revised Code to enact the Baby Olivia Act to require human growth and development instruction in public schools.

Am. H. B. No. 486 -Representatives Click, Dovilla

Cosponsors: Representatives Williams, Ritter, Hall, T., Gross, Claggett, King, Miller, M., Salvo, Fowler Arthur, Newman, Odioso, John, Barhorst, Bird, Creech, Fischer, Holmes, Hoops, Johnson, Klopfenstein, Lorenz, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, K., Mullins, Peterson, Richardson, Robb Blasdel, Schmidt, Stephens, Swearingen, Willis, Young

To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact sections 3320.09, 3320.10, and 3320.11 of the Revised Code to enact the Charlie Kirk American Heritage Act to permit teachers in public schools and state institutions of higher education to provide instruction on the influence of Judeo-Christian values on history and culture.

Sub. H. B. No. 492 - Representatives Ray, Abrams

Cosponsors: Representatives Miller, K., Hall, T., Willis, Bird, Brennan, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Hiner, Holmes, Johnson, LaRe, Mathews, A., Robb Blasdel, Santucci, Schmidt, Sigrist, Williams, Young

To amend section 4513.36 of the Revised Code to expand the prohibition against interfering with arrest to all motor vehicle-related laws and require drivers and passengers to disclose their name, address, and date of birth to a peace officer on request.

Sub. H. B. No. 519 - Representative White, A.

Cosponsors: Representatives Abrams, Miller, K., Hall, T., Bird, Brennan, Brewer, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Click, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari,

Hall, D., Hiner, Holmes, Humphrey, John, Johnson, Lampton, LaRe, Lawson-Rowe, Manning, Mathews, A., Odioso, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Richardson, Robb Blasdel, Salvo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Tims, Troy, Williams, Willis, Young

To amend sections 2152.02, 2152.19, 2923.24, 2930.12, 2930.13, and 2951.03 of the Revised Code to prohibit possession of an electronic device under circumstances indicating an intent to commit a theft offense that involves a motor vehicle.

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 bills:

Am. S. B. No. 17 - Senators Reynolds, Craig

Cosponsors: Senators Patton, Schaffer, Weinstein, Antonio, Blackshear, Blessing, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Ingram, Johnson, Koehler, Landis, Liston, O'Brien, Reineke, Roegner, Romanchuk, Smith, Timken, Wilkin, Wilson Representatives Abdullahi, Abrams, Baker, Barhorst, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Click, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Gross, Hall, D., Hall, T., Hiner, King, Klopfenstein, Lawson-Rowe, Lett, Manning, Mathews, T., McNally, Miller, J., Miller, M., Newman, Oelslager, Peterson, Piccolantonio, Ray, Robb Blasdel, Russo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Tims, Upchurch, White, A., Williams, Willis, Young

To enact section 5.212 of the Revised Code to designate March 9th as "6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion Day."

Sub. S. B. No. 103 - Senator Wilkin

Cosponsors: Senators Brenner, Blackshear, Chavez, Cirino, Craig, Cutrona, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Ingram, Johnson, Reineke, Smith, Timken, Weinstein Representatives Holmes, Mathews, A., Brennan, Dovilla, Fischer, Rogers, Abdullahi, Barhorst, Bird, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Click, Deeter, Ghanbari, Glassburn, Hall, D., Hiner, King, Kishman, Klopfenstein, Lampton, Lorenz, Mathews, T., Miller, J., Mohamed, Newman, Peterson, Plummer, Ray, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Russo, Salvo, Schmidt, Sigrist, Swearingen,

Upchurch, White, A., Williams, Willis, Young

To amend sections 4909.042, 4909.05, 4909.06, 4909.07, 4909.08, 4909.15, 4909.156, 4909.159, 4909.173, 4909.174, 4909.18, 4909.421, 4928.01, and 4928.05 and to enact sections 4909.157, 4909.182, 4929.052, 4929.053, 4929.054, 4929.055, 4929.056, 4929.057, and 4929.058 of the Revised Code to allow for alternative rate plans for natural gas companies to serve large load customers and to make changes to the process of valuating property for certain public utilities.

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 agreed to the report of the committee of conference on matters of difference between the two houses on:

Sub. S. B. No. 56-Senator Huffman – et al.

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. 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. 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.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young, Clerk

On the motion of Senator DeMora,	the Senate adjourned	until Monday,
December 1, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.		

Attest: VINCENT L. KEERAN, Clerk.