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ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVENTH DAY
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Tuesday, November 10, 2026, 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 Gavarone recognized Melissa Kowalski who was awarded the 2026 Shell Science Teaching Award by the National Science Teaching Association.

Senator Landis requested a moment of silence in honor of fallen Rittman Police Sergeant, Scott Ries.

Senator Schaffer requested a moment of silence in honor of Jennifer Donley, ODOT bridge inspector who was killed while working in the I-70 construction project in Zanesville.

REPORTS OF REFERENCE AND BILLS FOR SECOND CONSIDERATION

Senator McColley reports for the standing committee on Rules and Reference, recommending that the following bills and resolution, standing in order for second consideration, be referred to committee as recommended:

S. R. No. 447-Senator Blessing
To recognize the contributions of immigrants and refugees and to urge federal action to address Ohio's workforce shortages.

To the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform.

S. B. No. 477-Senator DeMora
To amend sections 4507.11, 4508.02, 4511.01, 4511.20, 4511.514, 4511.522, and 4511.54 and to enact sections 4503.184 and 4508.081 of the Revised Code to revise the law regarding electric bicycles, low-speed micromobility devices, and electric personal assistive mobility devices.

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. B. No. 478-Senator Patton
To amend sections 5739.021 and 5739.026 of the Revised Code to prohibit

the levy of sales and use taxes without voter approval by counties with a population of over one million.

To the Committee on Ways and Means.

S. B. No. 479-Senator DeMora, et al.
To amend section 2915.01 of the Revised Code to specify that betting on elections constitutes prohibited gambling.

To the Committee on General Government.

S. B. No. 480-Senator Patton
To enact section 313.124 of the Revised Code to require a coroner to preserve and store a DNA sample for future genetic analysis when the coroner performs an autopsy and is unable to determine a cause of death.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. B. No. 481-Senator Craig, et al.
To enact section 5.2325 of the Revised Code to designate October 8 as "Captain Eddie Rickenbacker Day."

To the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform.

S. B. No. 482-Senator Craig, et al.
To enact section 5.2472 of the Revised Code to designate April 23rd as "Granville T. Woods Day."

To the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform.

S. B. No. 483-Senator Koehler, et al.
To enact section 5534.157 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of United States Route 68 in Clinton County as the "Captain Curtis Angst Memorial Highway."

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. B. No. 484-Senator Cutrona
To amend section 1901.08 of the Revised Code to change the status of the judge of the Struthers Municipal Court from part-time to full-time.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. B. No. 485-Senator Blessing

To amend sections 3923.33, 3923.331, 3923.332, 3923.337, 3923.338, 3923.339, and 3923.42 and to enact section 3923.3310 of the Revised Code to provide Medigap policies for Medicare-eligible individuals under the age of 65.

To the Committee on Medicaid.

S. B. No. 486-Senator Schaffer

To enact section 5534.016 of the Revised Code to designate a portion of State Route 674 in Fairfield County and Pickaway County as the "Captain Seth R. Koval Memorial Highway."

To the Committee on Transportation.

S. B. No. 487-Senator Timken

To amend sections 2151.34, 2903.213, 2919.27, and 2929.34 of the Revised Code to add strangulation to the list of offenses for which a protection order may be obtained and to increase the penalty for violating a protection order.

To the Committee on Judiciary.

S. B. No. 488-Senator Roegner

To amend sections 2925.01, 4709.07, 4709.072, 4709.09, 4713.01, 4713.02, 4713.06, 4713.07, 4713.071, 4713.08, 4713.081, 4713.09, 4713.10, 4713.14, 4713.141, 4713.15, 4713.16, 4713.17, 4713.22, 4713.24, 4713.28, 4713.31, 4713.32, 4713.34, 4713.35, 4713.351, 4713.37, 4713.42, 4713.44, 4713.45, 4713.46, 4713.49, 4713.50, 4713.55, 4713.56, 4713.57, 4713.58, 4713.59, 4713.60, 4713.61, 4713.62, 4713.63, 4713.64, 4713.641, 4713.65, 4713.66, 4743.05, 4745.01, 4776.20, and 5502.63; to amend, for the purpose of adopting new section numbers as indicated in parentheses, sections 4709.07 (4713.281), 4709.072 (4713.311), and 4709.09 (4713.411); and to repeal sections 4709.01, 4709.02, 4709.03, 4709.031, 4709.05, 4709.051, 4709.071, 4709.073, 4709.08, 4709.091, 4709.10, 4709.11, 4709.111, 4709.112, 4709.12, 4709.13, 4709.14, 4709.99, 4713.25, 4713.30, and 4713.39 of the Revised Code to make changes to the law governing the regulation of cosmetologists and barbers.

To the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform.

S. B. No. 489-Senator Craig, et al.

To enact section 5.2325 of the Revised Code to designate January as "Ohio Mentoring Month."

To the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform.

S. B. No. 490-Senators Craig, Blackshear, et al.

To enact section 5.2544 of the Revised Code to designate May as Ohio Mental Health Awareness Month.

To the Committee on Government Oversight and Reform.

S. B. No. 491-Senator Brenner

To amend sections 125.04, 131.45, 133.06, 311.29, 319.301, 319.36, 319.40, 319.45, 319.50, 321.24, 321.31, 321.34, 321.341, 323.08, 323.156, 323.31, 718.09, 718.10, 725.02, 1728.06, 1728.10, 1728.11, 1728.111, 2151.362, 3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.16, 3301.162, 3301.163, 3301.68, 3302.036, 3302.04, 3302.10, 3302.12, 3310.51, 3310.522, 3310.62, 3310.70, 3311.20, 3311.21, 3313.29, 3313.473, 3313.48, 3313.55, 3313.603, 3313.6029, 3313.612, 3313.618, 3313.64, 3313.6411, 3313.6413, 3313.65, 3313.83, 3313.982, 3314.07, 3314.09, 3314.091, 3315.01, 3315.18, 3316.20, 3317.01, 3317.014, 3317.015, 3317.02, 3317.021, 3317.022, 3317.023, 3317.024, 3317.025, 3317.028, 3317.0210, 3317.0211, 3317.0212, 3317.0213, 3317.0214, 3317.0215, 3317.03, 3317.034, 3317.051, 3317.081, 3317.16, 3317.20, 3317.201, 3317.22, 3317.25, 3317.26, 3318.011, 3318.06, 3318.061, 3318.062, 3318.063, 3318.361, 3318.45, 3318.71, 3319.17, 3323.01, 3323.091, 3323.13, 3323.14, 3323.141, 3323.142, 3323.143, 3326.20, 3326.44, 3326.51, 3327.01, 3327.011, 3327.012, 3327.013, 3327.015, 3327.016, 3327.02, 3327.021, 3327.03, 3327.06, 3327.07, 3327.09, 3327.10, 3327.12, 3327.13, 3327.14, 3327.15, 3327.16, 3327.17, 3333.81, 3365.07, 3365.08, 3735.67, 3735.671, 4141.47, 4503.06, 4503.068, 5139.07, 5705.01, 5705.03, 5705.10, 5705.191, 5705.194, 5705.199, 5705.21, 5705.212, 5705.213, 5705.215, 5705.217, 5705.218, 5705.219, 5705.2111, 5705.2112, 5705.2113, 5705.2114, 5705.28, 5705.31, 5705.311, 5705.315, 5705.32, 5705.412, 5709.081, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.42, 5709.43, 5709.45, 5709.46, 5709.47, 5709.48, 5709.49, 5709.51, 5709.57, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.631, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.74, 5709.75, 5709.78, 5709.79, 5709.80, 5709.82, 5709.84, 5709.85, 5709.88, 5709.882, 5709.883, 5709.91, 5709.92, 5715.17, 5715.19, 5715.22, 5715.27, 5717.02, 5739.02, 5739.10, 5739.21, 5741.02, 5741.03, 5747.021, 5748.02, 5748.021, 5748.08, 5748.081, 5748.09, and 5751.20; to enact new section 3317.06 and sections 3311.39, 3317.0111, 3318.91, 3367.01, 3367.02, 3367.03, 3367.04, 3367.05, 5705.81, 5709.94, 5739.0211, and 5748.11; and to repeal sections 725.021, 3310.01, 3310.02, 3310.03, 3310.031, 3310.032, 3310.033, 3310.034, 3310.035, 3310.036,

3310.04, 3310.05, 3310.06, 3310.07, 3310.08, 3310.10, 3310.11, 3310.12, 3310.13, 3310.14, 3310.15, 3310.16, 3310.17, 3313.974, 3313.975, 3313.976, 3313.977, 3313.978, 3313.979, 3313.98, 3313.981, 3313.983, 3314.087, 3314.093, 3317.06, 3317.062, 3317.064, 3317.08, 3317.082, 3327.04, 3327.05, 3327.11, 5705.314, and 5709.83 of the Revised Code to establish a new school financing system that provides a statewide per-pupil funding payment to public and chartered nonpublic schools based on a single statewide property tax and increased state sales tax; to repeal school district property and income taxes; to issue general obligation bonds to refund certain school district debt obligations; to eliminate the classroom facilities assistance programs, the Educational Choice and Pilot Project scholarship programs, and interdistrict open enrollment; and to require educational service centers to transport students on a countywide basis.

To the Committee on Finance.

YES - 13: NICKIE J. ANTONIO, ANDREW O. BRENNER, BRIAN M. CHAVEZ, JERRY C. CIRINO, HEARCEL F. CRAIG, THERESA GAVARONE, GEORGE F. LANG, BETH LISTON, ROB MCCOLLEY, BILL REINEKE, MICHELE REYNOLDS, TIM SCHAFFER, KENT SMITH

NO - 0.

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

The report of the committee was accepted.

Said bills and resolution were considered a second time and referred to committee as recommended.

BILLS FOR THIRD CONSIDERATION

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, was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **Am. H. B. No. 397**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 31, nays 1, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blackshear	Blessing	Brenner
Chavez	Cirino	Craig	Cutrona
DeMora	Gavarone	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman

Johnson	Koehler	Landis	Lang
Liston	Manchester	O'Brien	Patton
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Schaffer	Smith	Timken	Weinstein
Wilkin	Wilson		McColley-31

Senator Ingram voted in the negative-1.

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Cirino, Landis, Lang, O'Brien, Reineke, Reynolds, Schaffer."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

H. B. No. 13-Representative Pizzulli.
Cosponsors: Representatives Schmidt, Click, Fischer, Brennan, Bird, Russo, Klopfenstein, Stephens, Abdullahi, Abrams, Barhorst, Brent, Brewer, Brownlee, Callender, Creech, Deeter, Denson, Ghanbari, Grim, Hall, D., Jones, Lear, Manning, Mathews, A., Miller, J., Newman, Oelslager, Peterson, Plummer, Rader, Ray, Ritter, Robinson, Sigrist, Sims, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Upchurch, White, A., White, E., Williams, Young Senators Brenner, Johnson.

To enact section 5.267 of the Revised Code to designate November 5th as "Roy Rogers Day," was considered the third time.

The question being, "Shall the bill, **H. B. No. 13**, pass?"

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 32, nays 0, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Antonio	Blackshear	Blessing	Brenner
Chavez	Cirino	Craig	Cutrona
DeMora	Gavarone	Hicks-Hudson	Huffman
Ingram	Johnson	Koehler	Landis
Lang	Liston	Manchester	O'Brien
Patton	Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner
Romanchuk	Schaffer	Smith	Timken
Weinstein	Wilkin	Wilson	McColley-32

So the bill passed.

The title was amended as follows:

Add the names: "Antonio, Blackshear, Cirino, Craig, DeMora, Gavarone, Hicks-Hudson, Ingram, Landis, Liston, O'Brien, Reineke, Schaffer, Timken, Weinstein."

The question being, “Shall the motion be agreed to?”

The motion was agreed to and the title so amended.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and considered for the first time:

S. B. No. 492 - Senator DeMora.

To amend section 5301.072 and to enact section 5307.073 of the Revised Code to prohibit homeowners associations from restricting the gathering of signatures or the display of yard signs.

OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

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

S. R. No. 459 - Senator DeMora.
Honoring the Upper Arlington High School girls water polo team as the 2026 Ohio High School Girls Water Polo State Champion.

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Honoring the Upper Arlington High School boys water polo team as the 2026 Ohio High School Boys Water Polo State Champion.

S. R. No. 461 - Senator DeMora.
Honoring Ben Davino on winning a 2026 U23 World Championship.

S. R. No. 462 - Senator Antonio.
Honoring the City of Westlake on its Two Hundred Fifteenth Anniversary.

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

MOTIONS

On the motion of Senator Reineke, the Senate recessed until 4:00 p.m.

The Senate met pursuant to the recess.

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. 214 -Senator Koehler
Cosponsors: Senators Johnson, Brenner, Chavez, Cirino, Cutrona, Gavarone,

Lang, Manning, O'Brien, Reynolds, Roegner, Romanchuk, Schaffer, Timken, Wilkin, Wilson

Representatives Abrams, Miller, K., Creech, Ghanbari, Hall, T., Kishman, LaRe, Willis, Barhorst, Bird, Callender, Claggett, Click, Craig, Daniels, Deeter, Demetriou, Dovilla, Fischer, Fowler Arthur, Gross, Hiner, Holmes, Hutson, John, Johnson, King, Klopfenstein, Lampton, Lear, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., McClain, Miller, M., Moore, Newman, Odioso, Peterson, Pizzulli, Plummer, Richardson, Ritter, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Salvo, Santucci, Schmidt, Stephens, Stewart, Stidham, Thomas, D., Williams, Workman, Young

To amend sections 1533.04, 2923.11, 2923.12, and 2923.17 of the Revised Code to remove firearm mufflers and suppressors and sawed-off firearms from the classification of dangerous ordnance.

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

Attest: Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

Senator Reineke moved that the amendments of the House of Representatives to **Sub. S. B. No. 214**-Senator Koehler, be brought up for consideration.

The question being, "Shall the motion be agreed to?"

The motion was agreed to.

The question being, “Shall the Senate concur in the amendments of the House of Representatives?”

The yeas and nays were taken and resulted – yeas 21, nays 9, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative were: Senators

Blessing	Brenner	Chavez	Cutrona
Gavarone	Huffman	Johnson	Koehler
Landis	Lang	Manchester	O'Brien
Reineke	Reynolds	Roegner	Romanchuk
Schaffer	Timken	Wilkin	Wilson
			McColley-21

Those who voted in the negative were: Senators

Antonio	Blackshear	Craig	DeMora
Hicks-Hudson	Ingram	Liston	Smith
			Weinstein-9

So the Senate concurred in the amendments of the House of Representatives.

On the motion of Senator Reineke, the Senate adjourned until Monday, November 16, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.