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ONE HUNDRED FORTIETH DAY
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio
Thursday, May 21, 2026, 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.

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 **Am. H. B. No. 297**-Representatives Ritter, Newman, et al., having had the same under consideration, reports it back and recommends its passage.

Co-Sponsors: Schaffer, Johnson.

YES - 4: TERRY JOHNSON, 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.

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:

Am. H. B. No. 413 -Representatives Young, Peterson

Cosponsors: Representatives Demetriou, Hall, T., McClain, Stewart, Dovilla, Abrams, Glassburn, John, Willis, Brennan, Click, Daniels, Fischer, Ghanbari, Hall, D., Hiner, Lear, Mathews, A., Mathews, T., Newman, Plummer, Robb Blasdel, Roemer, Santucci, Synenberg, Thomas, D., White, A., Williams, Workman

To amend sections 113.70, 113.71, 113.72, 113.73, 113.74, 113.75, 113.76, and 5501.521; to enact new section 113.77 and sections 113.80, 113.81, 113.82, 113.83, and 113.84; and to repeal section 113.77 of the Revised Code to create the Ohio Local Government Expenditure Database and require political subdivision participation, to require the state retirement systems to participate in the Ohio State Government Expenditure Database, and to make

an appropriation.

Sub. H. B. No. 446 -Representatives Mathews, A., Stewart

Cosponsors: Representatives Odioso, Brennan, Dovilla, Hall, D., Hiner, Piccolantonio, Ray, Sigrist, Somani, Synenberg, Williams, Young

To amend sections 1336.04, 1336.05, 1336.09, 1337.34, 1337.36, 1337.42, 1337.52, 2109.21, 2113.06, 2117.02, 5301.071, 5701.11, 5801.04, 5801.07, 5806.02, 5806.03, 5808.19, 5810.08, 5812.43, 5815.25, and 5816.11; to enact sections 5808.161, 5818.01, 5818.011, 5818.02, 5818.03, 5818.04, 5818.05, 5818.06, 5818.07, 5818.08, 5818.09, 5818.10, 5818.11, 5818.12, 5818.13, 5818.14, 5818.15, 5818.16, 5818.17, 5818.18, 5818.19, 5818.20, 5818.21, 5818.22, 5818.23, 5818.24, 5818.25, 5818.26, 5818.27, 5818.28, 5818.29, 5818.30, 5818.31, 5818.32, 5818.33, 5818.34, 5818.35, 5818.36, and 5818.37; and to repeal section 5808.08 of the Revised Code to modify trust and probate laws.

H. B. No. 478 -Representatives Thomas, D., Synenberg

Cosponsors: Representatives Brennan, Click, Hiner, Johnson, Lorenz, Miller, K., Ray, Upchurch, Mathews, A., Odioso, Barhorst, Bird, Daniels, Dovilla, Fowler Arthur, Ghanbari, Glassburn, Grim, Hall, D., Holmes, John, Lett, Mathews, T., Miller, J., Mohamed, Newman, Oelslager, Peterson, Plummer, Robb Blasdel, Rogers, Russo, Sigrist, Somani, Swearingen, Williams, Young

To amend section 2921.04 and to enact section 2921.06 of the Revised Code to create the offense of jury tampering and to include a public servant in the offense of intimidation of an attorney, victim, witness, or public servant in a criminal case.

H. B. No. 565 -Representatives Jarrells, Odioso

Cosponsors: Representatives Thomas, C., Brennan, White, E., Synenberg, Lawson-Rowe, Upchurch, Troy, Schmidt, Mathews, A., Abdullahi, Abrams, Baker, Brent, Brewer, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Click, Dovilla, Glassburn, Grim, Hall, D., John, LaRe, Lett, Mathews, T., McNally, Miller, J., Miller, K., Mohamed, Newman, Piccolantonio, Plummer, Rader, Ray, Rogers, Russo, Sigrist, Sims, White, A., Williams, Willis, Young

To amend section 149.43 of the Revised Code to exempt from disclosure under Public Records Law, the name and address of a grand juror and the signature of a grand-jury foreperson, and to name this act the Grand Jury Privacy and Protection Act.

Sub. H. B. No. 689 -Representative White, A.

Cosponsors: Representatives Abrams, Willis, Brennan, Dovilla, Grim, Hall, T., Jarrells, Lampton, LaRe, Lett, Manning, Miller, J., Odioso, Oelslager, Ray, Robb Blasdel, Rogers, Russo, Sigrist, Troy, Williams, Young

To amend sections 109.57, 109.573, 109.60, 2953.32, and 5122.311 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 221.40 of H.B. 96 of the 136th General Assembly, as subsequently amended, to align and modernize fingerprinting and disposition reporting, and to allow disclosure of information related to actions to determine paternity.

H. B. No. 732 -Representative Miller, M.

Cosponsors: Representatives Salvo, Johnson, Gross, Brennan, Hiner, Robb Blasdel, Brewer, Mathews, A., McNally, Brent, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Click, Cockley, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Glassburn, Grim, Hall, D., Holmes, Jarrells, John, Lawson-Rowe, Lett, Miller, J., Mohamed, Peterson, Piccolantonio, Pizzulli, Plummer, Rader, Richardson, Rogers, Russo, Santucci, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Stephens, Tims, White, A., White, E., Williams, Willis, Young

To enact section 122.074 of the Revised Code to create the Ohio, The Heart of It All Pass program under TourismOhio.

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 Senate amendments to:

Sub. H. B. No. 31-Representatives Humphrey, Stewart – 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 passage of the following bill:

Am. S. B. No. 223 -Senator Patton

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

Representatives Robb Blasdel, Fischer, Rogers, Hiner, Mathews, T., McNally, Abdullahi, Abrams, Baker, Bird, Brennan, Brent, Brewer, Brownlee, Bryant Bailey, Click, Cockley, Daniels, Deeter, Dovilla, Ghanbari, Glassburn, Grim, Hall, D., Hall, T., Hoops, Jarrells, John, Johnson, Kishman, Klopfenstein, LaRe, Lawson-Rowe, Lear, Lett, Lorenz, Manning, Mathews, A., Miller, J., Miller, K., Miller, M., Odioso, Peterson, Piccolantonio, Plummer, Richardson, Roemer, Russo, Salvo, Santucci, Schmidt, Sigrist, Sims, Somani, Stewart, Swearingen, Sweeney, Synenberg, Thomas, C., Tims, Troy, White, A., White, E., Williams, Willis, Young

To amend section 1546.04 of the Revised Code to require the ODNR Chief of the Division of Parks and Watercraft to establish a discount program for veterans and service members for park services and rentals.

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. H. B. No. 377-Representative Deeter – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 393-Representatives Click, Brewer – et al.

Sub. H. B. No. 462-Representative Richardson – et al.

Attest:

Bradley J. Young,
Clerk.

The President signed said bills.

On the motion of Senator DeMora, the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,
Clerk.