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ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIRST DAY  
Senate Chamber, Columbus, Ohio  
**Monday, March 23, 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 Gavarone 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. 386** - Senators Blessing, Liston.

To amend sections 126.021, 126.024, 173.19, 1751.03, 3701.741, 3901.81, 3902.70, 3903.14, 3903.42, 3959.01, 3963.06, 4121.50, 4729.20, 4729.49, 4729.80, 4729.84, 4729.86, 5160.01, 5160.34, 5160.37, 5160.371, 5160.40, 5162.01, 5162.021, 5162.13, 5162.1310, 5162.73, 5164.01, 5164.38, 5164.46, 5164.74, 5164.751, 5166.01, 5166.40, 5166.405, 5166.406, 5168.75, 5168.76, 5739.01, and 5739.03; to amend, for the purpose of adopting a new section number as indicated in parentheses, section 5162.73 (5162.74); to enact new section 5162.73; and to repeal sections 1751.271, 3901.815, 3903.421, 5164.741, 5167.01, 5167.02, 5167.03, 5167.031, 5167.04, 5167.05, 5167.051, 5167.09, 5167.10, 5167.101, 5167.103, 5167.11, 5167.12, 5167.122, 5167.123, 5167.13, 5167.14, 5167.15, 5167.16, 5167.17, 5167.171, 5167.173, 5167.18, 5167.20, 5167.201, 5167.21, 5167.22, 5167.221, 5167.24, 5167.241, 5167.243, 5167.244, 5167.245, 5167.26, 5167.30, 5167.31, 5167.32, 5167.33, 5167.34, 5167.35, 5167.40, 5167.41, 5167.45, 5167.47, and 5739.051 of the Revised Code to eliminate the care management system from the Medicaid program and to name this act the Medicaid Savings Act.

**S. B. No. 387** - Senator Blessing.

To enact section 5167.124 of the Revised Code regarding coverage of pharmacogenomic testing by Medicaid managed care organizations.

**S. B. No. 388** - Senator Weinstein.

To enact section 5.63 of the Revised Code to designate October as "Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Awareness Month."

**S. B. No. 389** - Senator Weinstein.

To enact section 3902.65 of the Revised Code regarding insurance coverage for augmentative and alternative communication tools.

**S. B. No. 390** - Senators Cutrona, Patton.

Cosponsor: Senator Lang.

To amend sections 5165.06, 5165.151, 5165.158, 5165.19, 5165.26, and 5165.36 and to enact section 5165.061 of the Revised Code to make various changes to the law governing nursing facilities in the Medicaid program.

**S. B. No. 391** - Senator Cutrona.

To amend sections 124.15, 124.152, 3328.15, 3333.01, 3770.02, 4121.02, and 4905.10 of the Revised Code regarding maximum compensation paid to individuals appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate.

**S. B. No. 392** - Senators Cutrona, Johnson.

Cosponsors: Senators Lang, Huffman, Manchester, Schaffer, Gavarone, Brenner.

To amend sections 9.68, 109.69, 109.731, 311.41, 311.42, 311.43, 1547.69, 2921.13, 2923.11, 2923.111, 2923.12, 2923.121, 2923.122, 2923.123, 2923.124, 2923.125, 2923.126, 2923.127, 2923.128, 2923.129, 2923.1210, 2923.1211, 2923.1212, 2923.1213, 2923.16, 2923.17, 2953.35, 4511.19, and 4749.10 and to repeal section 1533.04 of the Revised Code to enact the Freedom to Carry Act to rename a concealed handgun license a concealed weapons license, to allow a concealed weapons licensee to carry a concealed deadly weapon other than an exclusive deadly weapon, and to allow the possession or transportation of a loaded firearm while in a motor vehicle or vessel.

**S. B. No. 393** - Senators Timken, Manning.

To amend sections 959.21, 959.99, 2907.04, 2907.05, 2907.321, 2907.322, 2907.323, 2929.14, and 2950.01 and to enact section 2941.1427 of the Revised Code to make changes to various sexually oriented offenses involving juvenile victims and to create the offenses of creating or possessing material depicting sexual conduct with an animal.

**S. B. No. 394** - Senator Blessing.

To enact section 2709.01 of the Revised Code to require courts to supply electronic notification of hearings to defendants in criminal and traffic cases and to make an appropriation.

**S. B. No. 395** - Senator Blessing.

To amend sections 111.27, 3501.01, 3501.06, 3501.22, 3501.23, 3505.03, 3505.04, 3505.08, 3505.10, 3505.23, 3505.27, 3505.33, 3505.34, 3505.35, 3505.36, 3505.37, 3506.11, 3509.03, 3509.04, 3511.02, 3511.05, 3513.01, 3513.02, 3513.04, 3513.041, 3513.05, 3513.052, 3513.07, 3513.08, 3513.10, 3513.12, 3513.121, 3513.13, 3513.14, 3513.15, 3513.18, 3513.19, 3513.20, 3513.22, 3513.24, 3513.251, 3513.253, 3513.254, 3513.255, 3513.257, 3513.261, 3513.263, 3513.30, 3513.31, 3513.311, 3513.32, 3513.33, 3517.01, 3517.012, 3517.016, 3517.02, and 3517.03; to amend, for the purpose of adopting a new section number as indicated in parentheses, section 3513.041

(3505.101); to enact section 3505.301; and to repeal sections 3513.16, 3513.191, 3513.192, 3513.23, 3513.256, 3513.262, 3513.28, 3513.301, 3513.312, 3517.013, and 3517.014 of the Revised Code to implement a top-three primary election system and a consensus choice general election system for congressional, state, and local offices.

**S. B. No. 396** - Senators Blessing, Liston.

To amend section 5747.01 and to enact sections 4143.01, 4143.02, 4143.03, 4143.04, 4143.05, 4143.06, 4143.07, 4143.08, 4143.09, 4143.10, 4143.11, 4143.12, 4143.13, 4143.14, 4143.15, 4143.16, 4143.17, and 4143.18 of the Revised Code to establish family and medical leave insurance benefits.

**S. B. No. 397** - Senator DeMora.

To amend sections 187.01, 187.04, and 4313.02 and to enact sections 117.57, 127.20, and 187.15 of the Revised Code to modify the law governing JobsOhio and to name this act the JobsOhio Transparency Act.

**S. B. No. 398** - Senators Blackshear, Wilson.

Cosponsors: Senators Ingram, Brenner, Smith, Antonio.

To enact section 1546.33 of the Revised Code to create the Adopt a Trail Program.

## OFFERING OF RESOLUTIONS

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

**S. R. No. 300** - Senator Weinstein.

Honoring the Tallmadge Blue Devils wheelchair basketball team on winning the 2025-2026 OIAS State Championship.

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

So the resolution was adopted.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Pursuant to Section 101.35 of the Ohio Revised Code, the President of the Senate appoints Senator Tim Schaffer as a temporary replacement for Senator George Lang on the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR), for the purpose of the committee's meeting on March 23, 2026.

On the motion of Senator Brenner, the Senate adjourned until Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

Attest:

VINCENT L. KEERAN,  
Clerk.