

Ohio Association of Election Officials

Weekly Legislative Report

126th General Assembly

Friday, February 25, 2005

Legislation Introduced This Week

HOUSE & SENATE BILLS

HB76 VILLAGE GOVERNMENT James Pete Trakas (H17-R-Independence) To permit the electors of a statutory village to vote on a question to authorize the mayor to appoint the village solicitor with the advice and consent of the village's legislative authority.

02/24/2005 Referred to House Local/Municipal Gov./Urban Revit.

Legislation tracked by: Cheryl Brunton

SB77 VOTING MACHINES Timothy J. Grendell (H98-R-Chesterland) To permit direct recording electronic voting machines certified for use in Ohio on January 1, 2005, to continue to be used in this state if they are modified to meet the requirements of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 and, when technologically and economically feasible, modified to include a voter verified paper audit trail

02/23/2005 Introduced

02/23/2005 House Elections and Ethics (Third)

Legislation tracked by: Mitziken Dunn

HB31 ABSENT VOTER'S BALLOTS Edna Brown (H48-D-Toledo) To allow any qualified elector to vote by absent voter's ballots.

02/09/2005 House Elections and Ethics (First)

Legislation tracked by: Mitziken Dunn

HB66 BIENNIAL BUDGET Charles E. Calvert (H69-R-Medina) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2007, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs.

**02/24/2005 House Finance and Appropriations Agriculture & Development Subcomm
(First)**

Legislation tracked by: Dana Walch

HJR4 GOVERNMENTAL FINANCE Linda Reidelbach (H21-R-Columbus) To establish limitations on the state and local governments regarding expenditures, taxes, and other aspects of governmental finance.

01/25/2005 Referred to House Finance and Appropriations

Legislation tracked by: Cheryl Brunton

SENATE BILLS

SB3 OHIO ELECTION LAWS Kevin Coughlin (S27-R-Cuyahoga Falls) To require the Secretary of State to establish a computerized statewide voter registration database in compliance with the Help America Vote Act of 2002; to require electors who register to vote by mail and have not previously voted in an election to provide identification before being permitted to cast a ballot; to permit certain electors to vote by provisional ballot in federal, state, and local elections; to specify counting standards for optical scan ballots; and to require that the applicant for a non-automated recount pay the entire cost of the recount if its results do not change the result of the election.

02/22/2005 Senate Rules (Third)

Legislation tracked by: Mitziken Dunn

SB36 VOTER I.D. Robert Spada (S24-R-North Royalton) To generally require all electors who appear in a polling place to vote to provide identification before being permitted to cast a ballot.

02/22/2005 Senate Rules (Third)

Legislation tracked by: Mitziken Dunn

SJR3 SUPREME COURT JUSTICES Kevin Coughlin (S27-R-Cuyahoga Falls) To provide for the appointment of the Chief Justice and Justices of the Supreme Court of Ohio by the Governor for ten-year terms, subject to retention elections by the electors of the State, and to create a Supreme Court Nominating Commission to submit to the Governor the names of nominees to the Supreme Court.

Senate & House Committee Meeting Schedule - Report Related Bills
Week of February 28, 2005

Wednesday, March 2nd

House Elections & Ethics
Taft Rm. (formerly 122), 10:30 a.m.

HB 3 VOTER SYSTEMS/RECOUNTS (DeWine)
(4th Hearing - Proponent/Opponent/Interested party)

Current News

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BUDGETS

* The House Finance & Appropriations Committee is expected to pass the