



A legislative update from STATE REP. JESSICA E. MIRANDA HOUSE DISTRICT 28

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Dear Neighbor,

I hope you and your family had a good Thanksgiving! I am writing you today to provide an update on recent business I have been involved with at the Statehouse.

Just before the holiday, state lawmakers voted on the proposed congressional maps as part of the redistricting process that takes place at the turn of each decade. I advocated for a fair, bipartisan map that keeps communities together and that reflects the preferences of Ohio's voters.

Unfortunately, the maps that were proposed were produced with minimal public input and fell short of the constitutional requirements and ideals demanded by Ohioans, and for this reason I joined my Democratic colleagues in voting no on the new map.

The new legislative lines will impact school funding, job creation and much more over the next decade. No matter the final product of the redistricting process, I will continue to fight to make sure our community is the best place it can be.

As we head into December, I'll be continuing to push for my priority legislation, which includes House Bill 266 (ending the statute of limitations for sex crimes), H.B. 361 (increases fines for railroad companies that block intersections, and more).

I also want to applaud the members of Congress and President Biden who recently enacted the historic infrastructure funding bill. This legislation will lead to the creation of many good paying jobs and improved roads, bridges, and broadband access in Ohio.

Please know that it is an honor to serve you at the Statehouse. Do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance— I can be reached by phone at (614) 466-8120 or by email at Rep28@ohiohouse.gov.

Sincerely,

Jessica E. Miranda
State Representative
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Rep. Miranda speaks on the Ohio House floor against H.B. 227, which would allow individuals to conceal carry dangerous weapons without a license
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Important information

- If you are in need of financial assistance, please visit www.513relief.org
- For the latest information on covid-19 vaccine eligibility for children or on booster shots, visit the [Ohio Dept. of Health's informational page](#)
- The Affordable Connectivity Program was recently created by Congress— check your eligibility and enroll today by visiting www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit

To all who celebrate:



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Aisha's Law, legislation to protect those at risk of domestic violence, overwhelmingly passes Ohio House

Last month, House Bill (HB) 3, better known as Aisha's Law, passed out of the Ohio House. Aisha's Law would improve how law enforcement agencies respond to domestic violence cases and provides added protections for those in high-risk situations.

HB 3 was initially unveiled as bipartisan [priority legislation](#) in the 133rd General Assembly, and [was passed by the Ohio House on May 20, 2020](#). Aisha's Law is named after Aisha Fraser, who was brutally [killed](#) on Nov. 17, 2018 by her ex-husband Lance Mason following years of domestic violence.

Aisha's Law would:

- Expand the definition of "domestic violence" to include strangulation;
- Create a new temporary emergency protection order that an individual can request outside of the court's normal business hours;
- Require police agencies to adopt rules and procedures for law enforcement officers to screen victims of domestic violence using an evidence-based lethality assessment screening tool to determine if the case should be referred to local or regional domestic violence advocacy services;
- Require the Ohio Attorney General to adopt rules to require every peace officer and trooper who handles domestic violence complaints to complete biennial professional training that includes, among other items, the referral of high risk victims to a local or regional

- domestic violence advocacy service;
- Require law enforcement to inform victims of an alleged strangulation the medical dangers of strangulation and urge them to seek medical attention;
- Increase domestic violence circumstances to the offense of aggravated murder;
- Request the Ohio Supreme Court review the Ohio Rules of Evidence to consider how the Rules may better aid victims of domestic violence without diminishing the fundamental fairness to alleged perpetrators of domestic violence;
- Create the Domestic Violence Drop Policy Study Committee to examine policies to protect domestic violence victims throughout the judicial process;
- Allocates \$150,000 to the Police Officers' Training Academy Fee for the purpose of training police officers on how to respond to domestic violence calls.

Aisha's Law now heads to the Senate for further consideration.

If you are a survivor of domestic violence looking for resources and referrals in Ohio, you can visit ODVN.org or call 614-781-9651.

If you are in an emergency, call the 24/7 National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-7233.

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