



From the Office of Representative Casey Weinstein (D-Hudson)

Working For You: My office in action.

Dear Neighbor,

As always, I have continued to be relentless in my demands for accountability for the corruption behind HB 6. To see the wide-reaching effects of this bill in practice, my colleague Rep. Jeff Crossman (D-Parma) and I took a road trip to Madison, Indiana, last month. Madison is home to 12,000 Hoosiers and the coal-fired plant that Ohio utility ratepayers are currently subsidizing. That bailout is still costing Ohio taxpayers \$232,000 a day, or nearly \$10,000 every single hour. We met with local elected officials in Madison who had no idea that one of their biggest local employers is being propped up Ohio dollars. Just consider where that money could be better spent if we

invested in clean energy initiatives right here in Ohio.

I hope you'll join me at my upcoming Legislative Town Hall on November 9th at 6:30pm at the Hudson Library to discuss this more. I will be joined by SeMia Bray of the Black Environmental Leaders Association to discuss my latest bill, HB 429: The Energy Jobs & Justice Act, as well as current Ohio legislation and redistricting. For more information and to RSVP, visit our Face-book event.



Also upcoming, on November 19th, I will be joining experts in the field for a virtual panel discussion representing current endeavors in Ohio cannabis reform. I hope you'll tune in to learn more about my bill to legalize cannabis here in Ohio: HB 382. For more information about the event, and to register, click HERE.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions or concerns!

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Casey Weinstein

Casey Weinstein



Commendations, Congratulations, and Condolences from Rep. Weinstein

Congratulations to the winners of this year's Take A Second, Make A Difference Award from Hudson Community First!



Congratulations to the residents of District 37 who have passed the July 2021 Ohio Bar Exam! Results came out in October, and our hard work in law school has paid off! I wish you all the best.



And finally, best wishes to all those in the district who recently won their local elections. I look forward to working more with each of you!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Spotlight: Ohio Redistricting

In 2018, Ohioans voted overwhelmingly in favor fair districts for our state, and at the Statehouse, we are currently working to draw new congressional districts. Because the Redistricting Commission failed to pass a bipartisan, 10-year map by Oct. 31, the responsibility for redistricting has returned to the General Assembly. The legislature can now either pass a bipartisan 10-year map or a short-term partisan map by Nov. 30. Republicans in both chambers introduced maps this week that clearly do not live up to the spirit of what voters asked for.

As for Statehouse seats, the Redistricting Commission voted on September 15 along partisan lines to adopt a 4-year map. The new GOP Commission maps are gerrymandered and NOT what Ohioans voted for. These maps would likely give Republicans a 62-37 advantage in the House and 23-10 in the Ohio Senate—veto-proof majorities in both chambers. These maps have been taken to the Ohio Supreme Court, so we do not consider them final.

Ohioans and Democrats still want to see bipartisan, 10-year maps that keep our communities together and reflect the preferences of Ohio's voters. Fair districts means districts that do not have undue, unfair favoring of one party, and keep large cities together so Ohioans who live and work together can get the representation they deserve.

With fair districts, we can fund our schools fairly, create good paying jobs, and stop pushing through extremist legislation that does nothing but divide us.

To learn more about the redistricting process or to get involved in the process, visit redistricting.ohio.gov.



Reach Out to Rep. Weinstein

Here are some ways our office can help:

- Disputes with government agencies
Ohio House commendations, condolences, and congratulatory letters
Propose bill ideas and law changes
Connect you or your business to state programs or services

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Legislative Update

HB 3, better known as Aisha's Law, was initially unveiled as bipartisan priority legislation in the 133rd General Assembly, and is sponsored by Rep. Janine Boyd and Rep. Stephanie Carruthers. Aisha's Law is named after Aisha Fraser, who was killed on Nov. 17, 2018 by her ex-husband, Lance Mason, following years of domestic abuse.

Aisha's Law would improve how law enforcement agencies respond to domestic violence cases and provides added protections for those in high-risk situations. In the last month, Aisha's law passed out of the Ohio House, and now moves on to the Senate for consideration.

You can read more about Aisha's law and track its progress in the Ohio Senate HERE.

