



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

Working For You: Looking ahead at the end of 2022



Dear Neighbor,

November 11th is Veterans Day, and I am grateful to each and every Ohioan who has served our state and nation. I was pleased to recently participate in the Veterans Day project being produced by Hudson High School students. Serving in the United States Air Force, and now serving my second term on the Ohio House Armed Services and Veterans Affairs Committee, are some of the greatest honors of my life. We've delivered life-changing, bipartisan wins for our vets and I won't stop now.

Election day is right around the corner! I encourage you to get out and vote November 8th. If you need to check your polling place, would like to view a sample

ballot, or have any other questions regarding voting, visit VoteOhio.org. Early voting is open now, and polls are open 6:30am—7:30pm on Election Day.

In the following weeks, you may hear mention of a "lame duck session." Lame duck is the period of time after an election and before the swearing in of the elected members. This year, lame duck is November 9 through December 31, and we anticipate the majority party trying to push extreme legislation through during this time. Democrats will continue to fight this legislation and we encourage you to be on the look out for ways you can advocate against these bills.



October was a busy month. I spoke to the Western Reserve Academy Young Republicans and Young Democrats about bipartisanship and getting results for all Ohioans. My family and I also participated in the ADL Cleveland's Walk Against Hate, and I was reappointed by Governor Mike DeWine to serve as a member of the Ohio Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission. I am proud to be doing this increasingly important work with a bipartisan and community-led team. With antisemitic violence on the rise nationwide, I will be pushing hard for committee hearings on my hate crimes bill during this lame duck session.



Sincerely, Casey Weinstein

Handwritten signature of Casey Weinstein

Commendations, Congratulations, and Condolences from Rep. Weinstein

Congratulations to Cuyahoga Falls City Schools on your recent centennial! I was thrilled to



present a commendation last week for the 100th anniversary of

the high school and can't wait to see the new campus. Here's to the next 100 years!

Congratulations to the residents of District 37 who have passed the July 2022



Ohio Bar Exam! Results came out last week, and your hard work in law school has paid off! I wish you all the best.

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



Spotlight: The Protect Child Victims Act

In October, Democrats introduced the Protect Child Victims Act, legislation giving the Ohio Attorney General's office the ability to make emergency awards from the Crime Victim Compensation Fund for any healthcare treatment, including abortion care, for child victims of sexual assault and abuse.

Administered by the Ohio Attorney General's office, and paid for by criminal fines as opposed to tax dollars, the Ohio Victims of Crime Compensation program assists victims with out-of-pocket expenses resulting from the crime. The Protect Child Victims Act would ensure all healthcare expenses resulting from a child sexual assault, including those received out-of-state and abortion care, are eligible for an emergency award of up to \$2,000. The awards are made at the discretion of the Ohio Attorney General.

Senate Bill (SB) 23, Ohio's 6-week abortion ban, has already forced a 10-year old Ohio girl who became pregnant as a result of being raped to leave the state to receive an abortion. While an Ohio court has blocked SB 23 indefinitely, Statehouse Republicans have made it clear they want to ban abortion completely in Ohio. This legislation would financially support child victims such as this 10-year old girl. 538 children received abortion care in 2021, with 57 of these children being younger than 15 years-old, below Ohio's age of consent.

Eligibility for the emergency award in the Protect Child Victims Act would require reporting to and cooperation with law enforcement, processes that are consistent with other crimes eligible for reparations at the discretion of the Ohio Attorney General. An emergency award of \$2,000 would be deducted from a final award, up to \$50,000, through the Crime Victims Compensation Fund's normal application process.



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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Announcements

Congress passed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act) earlier this year, to invest crucial dollars into clean energy, high-speed internet, clean drinking water, and rebuilding bridges, rail, and roadways. Included was \$5 billion for a national electric vehicle (EV) charging network.

Governor DeWine announced this week that \$100 million of that investment is now available over the next five years for EV charging infrastructure here in Ohio and that ODOT is now accepting company proposals to install and operate these charging stations. Ohio's EV Infrastructure Deployment plan was approved by the Federal Highway Administration last month

ODOT will accept proposal requests until December 21, 2022. Proposal information and full guidelines can be found at drive.ohio.gov/nevi.

