



A legislative update from
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Dear Neighbor,

Happy first full month of summer! This July, we celebrate Independence Day, a holiday we spend with loved ones. This nation was founded upon the ideals of freedom, equality, and justice, values that we should all embrace and celebrate. The Fourth of July serves as a reminder of why this country, and state, is such a special place. While we should all celebrate with cookouts and pool parties, we should also remember the sacrifices and struggles in our continuing journey towards equality.

This Independence Day, make sure your voice is heard and vote "NO" on Issue 1. Issue 1 is an unfair, unpopular, and undemocratic attack on the people and an attack on their sacred constitution. It will shred that constitution, it will end majority rule in our state, and it will snuff out the principle of "one person, one vote." We must defeat Issue 1 to protect our freedom to determine our future. #VoteNoInAugust

Also stay tuned via social media as I am currently planning a virtual town hall for this summer with details tbd!

If there is anything my office can do please reach out to us by email at Rep38@Ohiohouse.gov or by phone at (614) 466-1607. Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments or concerns.

Sincerely,

Willis E Blackshear Jr.



Rep. Blackshear recently appeared on Montgomery County Auditor Karl Keith's "Auds and Ends" podcast! To check out this episode and others from the podcast visit <https://www.youtube.com/@montgomerycountyauditor5598>

WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS
July 30, 2023

Ohio House Democrats

Ohio ranks fifth for human trafficking incidents in the United States. House Democrats want to ensure Ohioans are equipped with the resources necessary to combat this preventable trend.

National Human Trafficking Hotline: 888-373-7888



House Democrats Condemn Issue 1

The August Special Election regarding Issue 1 is fast approaching. Make sure your voice is heard by voting “NO” to stop special interests from ending majority rule. Protect our rights and the sacred principle of “one person, one vote,” instead of handing power over to out-of-touch politicians. #VoteNoInAugust.

postmarked by this date

August 8: Election Day (Polls open 6:30 am - 7:30 pm)

Here are some important dates to remember:

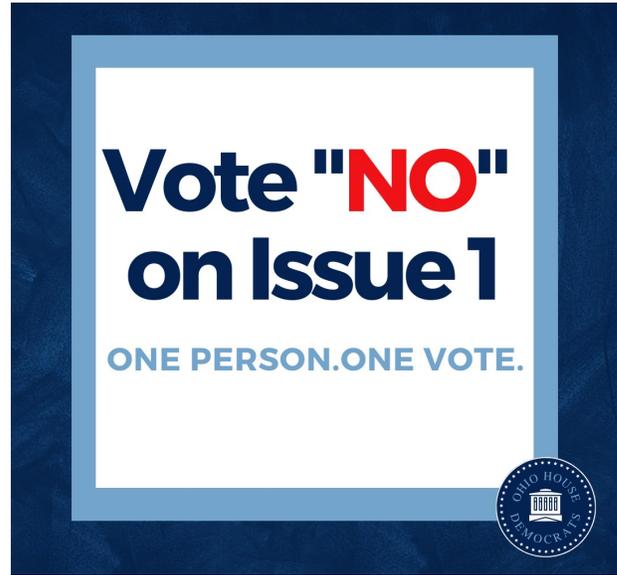
July 10: Deadline to register to vote

July 11: Absentee voting by mail begins (ends August 7)

July 11: Early in-person voting begins

August 1: Absentee ballot applications must be received by your board of elections by 8:30 p.m.

August 7: Mailed absentee ballots must be



This month we recognize...



Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

July 2, 2023

On July 2, 1964 the Civil Rights Act was signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson, outlawing discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, and national origin in the United States. With support of activists, like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. the Civil Rights Act was a crucial step forward in America's continued journey towards equality and justice for all. House Democrats are committed to continuing this work by fighting for an Ohio where we all have the freedom, dignity, and opportunity to thrive.



INDEPENDENCE DAY

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Happy Fourth of July! Today, we celebrate our strengths and recommit ourselves to fighting for liberty, equality, and justice for all Americans. May we honor every sacrifice of those who fought for our independence, ensuring that we all have the freedom, dignity, and opportunity to thrive.