



Dear Neighbor-

Happy March! House Democrats are advocating for you in Ohio's operating budget for fiscal years 2026-27. Last month, House Democrats helped pass the bipartisan Ohio Transportation Budget (**House Bill 54**) through the Ohio House of Representatives. The budget's appropriation of \$11.5B is a significant investment into the future of Ohio jobs, connecting the workforce to the worksite, and the bill will improve roads, bridges, and transit systems across Ohio.

Ohio has the resources we need to improve the lives of our citizens and communities. House Democrats are putting forward a budget that makes it easier to start and grow a family, age with dignity, and earn a living that can sustain a high quality of life.

March is Women's History Month! We celebrate and honor the women who fight for equality. From Susan B. Anthony to Harriet Tubman, American history is full of inspiring women who fought to create a more equitable America. Today, we continue to fight for Women's rights by protecting reproductive freedoms and closing the gender wage gap.

Finally, House districts changed between the 135th and 136th General Assemblies. Please ensure you still reside in my district by going to https://ohiohouse.gov/members/district-map to confirm your House district!

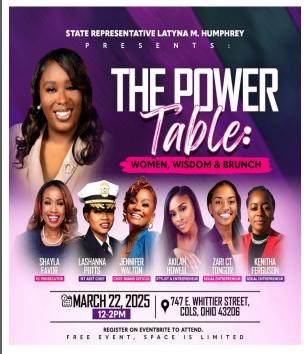
Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Ohio State Representative Latyna M. Humphrey

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Happy #InternationalWomensDay! Today, we celebrate the strength, resilience, and achievements of women worldwide. Let's continue to empower, support, and uplift each other as we strive for equality and justice. Here's to breaking barriers and creating a more inclusive Ohio for all!

State Representative Humphrey Gives Sponsor Testimony for Two Key Pieces of Legislation

Representative Humphrey presented Sponsor Testimony for HB 29, which would provide menstrual products for incarcerated women. The bill passed the house twice last General Assembly, but it was not passed in time. The bill was reintroduced in the Government Oversight Committee, and now awaits Proponent Testimony.

Representative Humphrey also presented Sponsor Testimony for HB 31, which would require electronic recordings to be made of all parole board hearing. This bill is in the Government Oversight committee and is currently waiting for Proponent Testimony.



Ohio House Democrats Help Pass Transportation Budget

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Some provisions fought for by **Rep.Humphrey** and included in House Bill (HB) 54:

- Provides \$8B in statewide highway construction and maintenance projects over the Biennium;
- Makes progress toward meeting the state's significant public transportation needs by appropriating nearly \$200M for public transit, including\$30M to continue the Ohio Workforce Mobility Partnership Program;
- Authorizes the continued distribution of gas tax revenue to cities, counties, and townships across Ohio to support local road maintenance;
- Appropriates \$18M for Transportation

- Improvement Districts to invest in local infrastructure across the state;
- Protects construction workers on the highway by establishing the Road Safety Pilot Program to assess speed compliance in construction zones, but prohibits using traffic law photo devices for any purpose, including a citation, summons, or ticket;
- Adopts the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact, which creates the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission and earmarks \$25K in each fiscal year to pay for the costs associated with joining the compact;
- Continues funding commitments to the Brent Spence Bridge;

HB 54 passed the House by a 97-0 vote. It now heads to the Ohio Senate for consideration.