



A legislative update from
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Dear Neighbor,

As we gather to reflect on the year 2024 and look ahead to the new year, I would like to wish you and your family a warm season of joy.

I am proud of the work we have completed on behalf of Northwest Ohio during the past two-year term in the Statehouse. I have met so many wonderful people, business owners, teachers, nurses, youth, farmers, and folks trying to forge their way in life. We have answered hundreds of calls seeking assistance regarding housing, property taxes, unemployment, safe working conditions, elder care, stopping wage theft, health care, legal, and mental health assistance. My office will always seek to be responsive to the needs of the people who have entrusted my office to do the work required of a representative.

Over the past several years, I have met many new friends and am honored to have served the people, seniors, children, and families of Ohio's 44th House District (portions of Lucas, Ottawa, and Wood counties). The kindness, support, and sharing of your time makes this role incredibly rewarding. It is because of you and the information that you share gives me the opportunity to become a much more effective legislator and representative.

During this 135th General Assembly, I have authored, sponsored, and cosponsored many bills aimed at improving the lives of Ohioans and making northwest Ohio a much better place. In this process, I have been able to work with my colleagues on both sides of the isle to find solutions to issues that plague our communities and our state. I have passed multiple bills – aimed to protect an individual's rights in the legal process, commemorate and honor our Veterans, as well as legislation aimed at providing more funding for our public schools to support our students, staff, and teachers. I am grateful for the support of this district's residents, my colleagues in the Ohio House of Representatives as well all those who saw the importance and relevance of the work we are doing. I would like to thank our Governor Mike DeWine for signing my bills aimed at improving Ohio into law. I would like to thank my joint sponsors, and the minority and majority leadership of the Ohio House of Representatives for giving our bills the attention and vetting needed to make it to the Governor's desk.

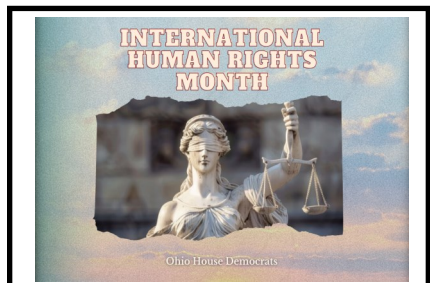
My hope is that as we move into the new year that good health, happiness, and love fill you (family) and follows you. Remember that you are not alone and that we are stronger together. May your year be filled with the joy, optimism, love, and the promise of a better tomorrow,

My name is Elgin Rogers, Jr. State Representative Ohio House District #42. I would like to welcome you to House District 42. I look forward to working with you and your family to make our home of Northwest Ohio an enjoyable and a great place to live. Sincerely,

Elgin Rogers, Jr.

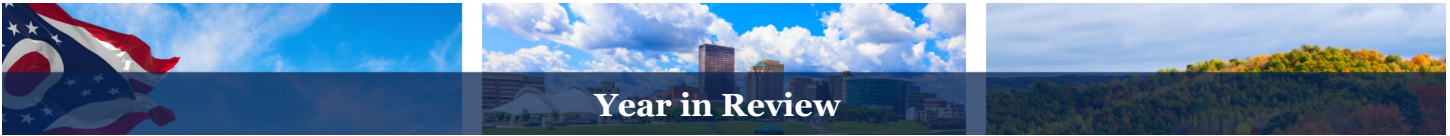


Happy New Year! All across our state, families and friends are celebrating the possibility and hope of new beginnings. I wish you and our entire community a wonderful 2025.



During Universal Human Rights Month, let us reaffirm our commitment to dignity, equality, and justice for all. Every person deserves respect and protection of their fundamental rights. Let us stand together, amplify voices, and work towards a world where human rights are upheld universally.





Year in Review

Through dedicated work from community members, staff, and fellow legislators I was able to pass six bills this General Assembly. I am proud of this legislation and the lasting impacts it will have on the 44th District.

- **Regards Imposing Sentence on Offender Who Entered Alford Plea** (HB 234)
- **Regards The Appointment of County Engineers** (HB 430)
- **SSG Jack Coy Veterans Memorial Highway** (HB 641)
- **Ottawa County Veterans Memorial Highway** (HB 335)
- **Create Jesup W. Scott High School License Plate** (HB 302)
- **Designate Black Ohio Media Week** (HB 368, Senate companion bill was passed)

House Democrats during the 135th General Assembly were successful in passing legislation that put people first by prioritizing the betterment of individuals from different backgrounds and communities, including:

- **Fair School Funding** (House Bill 33)
- **Require AEDs in Schools** (House Bill 47)
- **Modern Adoption Law** (House Bill 50)
- **Enact Madeline's Law** (House Bill 152)
- **Eliminate Spousal Exceptions for Certain Sex Offenses** (House Bill 161)
- **Create a Respectful & Open World for Natural Hair Act** (House Bill 178)
- **Requiring Feminine Hygiene Products in Correctional Facilities** (House 30)

Looking ahead to the new year, I'm optimistic for the future of our state. I am looking forward to working for you and your family every day in the halls of the Statehouse and our community. I will

continue to put people over politics and work to ensure all Ohioans—no matter your race, gender or economic status—have the freedom to be who they are, the dignity of a safe community and secure job, and the opportunity to thrive.

This was a busy year working for you and the people of House District 44. I'm proud of the work my staff and I did in 2024.





Signing a bill into law! I was joined by Reverend Curley Johnson, Lucas County Commissioner Anita Lopez, my Legislative Aide, Rider Stock, Commissioner Lopez’s Executive Assistant, Brent Rombach and of course Governor Mike DeWine. In this photo we have just signed HB 335.



Governor DeWine signed HB 234 into law.
Rev. Curley Johnson, Rep Rogers, Gov. Dewine, Lucas County Commissioner Lopez,, my Legislative Aide Rider Stock, & Lucas County Exec. Assistant Brent Rombach,



Representative Rogers & United Autoworker Jim Snodgras



Michelle Miller, Mick Murnen, Rep. Rogers, Matt Rubin,
Seated: Lisa Washington, Karen Geffen, and Brenda Mitchell Green



Representative Rogers gives farewell address to Representative Darrel Kick former Chairman of the Energy and Natural Resources committee. Rep. Rogers served as the top ranking member of the minority party on the committee.

Representative Kick selected Rep. Rogers to give remarks on his behalf.

“Rep. Kick it has been an honor and a pleasure to serve with you and to work alongside you. Thank you for your friendship and for your leadership. The people of Ohio and your community have been served well.” said Rep. Rogers

