

A legislative update from
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Dear Neighbor,

Happy Fall, Ohio! As we enjoy the falling leaves and cooling temperatures, I hope you and your family are staying safe, healthy, and warm.

The November 7th election is fast approaching, so please make sure you have a plan to vote. You have until October 31 to request an absentee ballot, there are many opportunities to vote early (see next page), and polls will be open on Election Day from 6:30am-7:30pm. This is a critical election year and we're expecting high turnout, so please make sure to vote!

October has been a busy month so far, with committees well underway and the House returning to session. I introduced a major, bipartisan piece of legislation that would freeze property taxes for lower-income seniors, helping them afford to stay in their home as they age. The House also passed a resolution that I introduced to demonstrate solidarity from the Ohio General Assembly for the people of Israel following the terror attacks and a prayer for a rapid end of the violence. You can find more information on HB 263 and the resolution on page 3.

As always, I am here for you! Please feel free to contact me or my office if you ever need any assistance with state services or have questions or concerns about a piece of legislation. Hearing from you on the issues you are passionate about helps me be a better representative, so don't hesitate to reach out!

Sincerely,

Dani Isaacsohn
State Representative
Ohio House District 24

November 7th is Election Day!

- 1** Check your voter registration
- 2** Make a plan to vote:
 - Vote by mail
 - Early in-person
 - Election day
- 3** Vote with a friend

See page 2 for more information on how you can have your voice be heard on several important state and local issues!



This October, Ohio is recognizing Manufacturing Month. Thanks to investments made by President Biden and the Democrats, the future of manufacturing is happening right here in Ohio, with new production in Toledo with GM and Columbus with Intel. Ohio is Union Strong!



House Democrats Fight for Ohioans' Right to Make Their Own Healthcare Decisions

Every Ohioan deserves the freedom to make their own healthcare decisions. The fight to protect women's freedom to control their own bodies isn't over. I will not stop fighting until this dangerous law that bans abortions before most women even know they are pregnant is overturned once and for all.

We can protect the fundamental freedom for women to make their own healthcare decisions, but it will take all of us making our voices heard.

On my end, I will continue to do everything I can to protect women's freedom to access the healthcare they need, including abortion.



REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE FOR ALL OHIOANS



Updates on the November 7th Election

Voting is one of the most fundamental rights that we have. Make sure you register to vote for the upcoming November election, where we will vote to determine our future. State races include Issues 1 and 2, while local races include Issue 22. Please be one of the millions of Ohioans who is going to vote this year!

Here are some additional dates that might be helpful:

- **October 11:** Early in-person & absentee voting begins
- **October 31:** Absentee ballot applications must be received by your board of elections by 8:30 p.m.
- **November 7: Election Day** (Polls open 6:30 am-7:30 pm)

Early voting is still available at the Hamilton County Board of Elections (4700 Smith Road 45212) at the following times:

- **October 23-27** (M-F) from **8am-5pm**
- **October 30** (M) from **7:30am-7:30pm**
- **October 31** (Tu.) from **7:30am-8:30pm**
- **November 1-3** (W-F) from **7:30am-7:30pm**
- **November 4** (Sat.) from **8am-4pm**
- **November 5** (Sun.) from **1pm-5pm**

Need to check your status? Visit vote.ohio.gov.



Legislative Update: HB 263—Senior Property Tax Freeze

On October 3rd, I had the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony with my bi-partisan joint sponsor, Rep. Thomas Hall, on HB 263. This legislation would authorize a property tax freeze for qualifying seniors.

We cannot allow our elderly population to be priced out of their homes due to soaring property tax evaluations that they simply cannot afford. Seniors on a fixed income should not be stressed about how they will afford their property taxes, and this bill will allow eligible seniors to budget around a fixed rate.

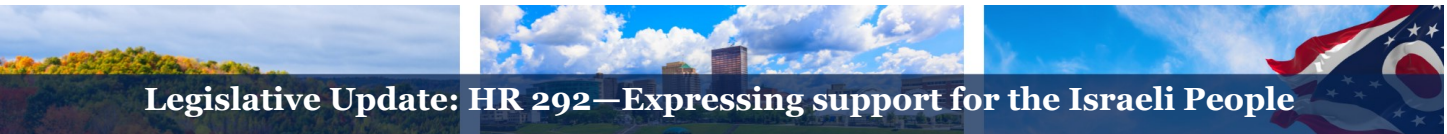
As HB 263 continues to make its way through the committee, I hope to continue hearing from Ohioans on how we can strengthen the bill. Rep. Hall and I will continue to solicit feedback and amend the bill to help as many Ohio seniors as possible. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office with questions, comments, concerns, or suggestions about the legislation!



Rep. Isaacsohn providing sponsor testimony on HB 263 before the House Ways and Means Committee.

This legislation is crucial to ensure that Ohio’s seniors remain in their homes as they age, and I am awaiting additional hearings in the House Ways and Means Committee as we hope to get this bill over the finish line.

[View my sponsor testimony here.](#)



Legislative Update: HR 292—Expressing support for the Israeli People



Rep. Isaacsohn expressing his support for the Israeli people and condemning recent terrorist attacks during House Session on October 10th.

On October 10th, I introduced a resolution supporting the people of Israel and condemning recent terrorist attacks by Hamas.

I stand firmly in my support of the Israeli people and against any and all forms of terror. I pray for a quick end to violence in the region, and for the lives of innocent Israelis and Palestinians alike.

As we continue to grapple with the tragedy of these attacks and the ongoing war, I encouraged my colleagues to maintain a sense of our shared humanity—Israelis, Palestinians, and Americans—and our commitment to a better future.

[View my remarks from the House Floor here.](#)



Rep. Isaacsohn Supports Cincinnati Southern Railway Sale; Marijuana Legalization

I am happy to join Mayor Pureval, U.S. Representative Greg Landsman, former Mayors Cranley, Mallory, Luken, Qualls, and Mann, numerous unions, the Hamilton County Democratic Party, and the *Cincinnati Enquirer* in supporting the sale of the Cincinnati Southern Railway.

While the railway has undoubtedly shaped the Cincinnati that we all know and love today, the sale of the railroad is a clear win for our city. Selling the railway is an opportunity for everyday Cincinnatians to see updated infrastructure, better parks, and safer roads in their communities without any tax increases.

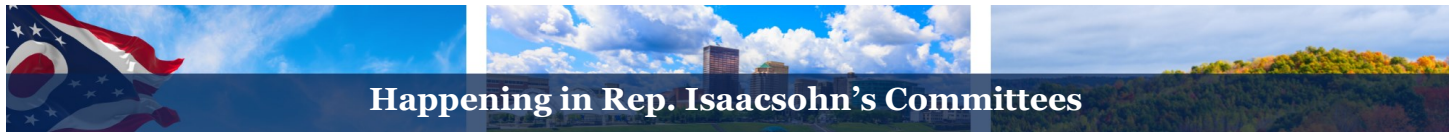
I am also pleased to voice my support for the legalization and regulation of marijuana in Ohio. Archaic laws have left Ohio behind several Midwestern states when it comes to marijuana. It is well past time for our state to legalize and regulate marijuana and to expunge past marijuana-related convictions.

The legalization of marijuana will allow Ohio to reap hundreds of millions in tax dollars to help



(L to R) Mayor Aftab Pureval, Cincinnati Southern Railway President Paul Muething, Rep. Isaacsohn, retired attorney Alfred Nippert Jr., Save Our Rail Member Adam Koehler, and former State Rep. Tom Brinkman at a *Cincinnati Enquirer* panel regarding the sale. (Image via Kareem Elgazzar, *The Enquirer*)

our schools, infrastructure, and communities. Instead of allowing Ohioans' tax dollars to flee to neighboring states, it is time that we legalize and regulate marijuana.



Happening in Rep. Isaacsohn's Committees



Rep. Isaacsohn and fellow Democratic Rep. Richard Dell'Aquila in the House Ways and Means committee.

Committees are a crucial step in the legislative process. Bills receive several hearings in committee, where legislation is adjusted and amended. Before being voted on by the entire House chamber, a bill must be voted out by the committee. I am currently a member of the

House Finance, Government Oversight, Technology and Innovation, and Ways and Means committees. Here are some things to look out for in those committees:

HB 51 in the Ways and Means Committee: HB 51 is an unnecessary and harmful bill that will make it easier for citizens to have firearms and harder for law enforcement to enforce federal firearm regulations. This is a step backward for gun control in Ohio, and I will continue working tirelessly to stop this bill from becoming law.

HB 259 in the Finance Committee: This bill would abolish the death penalty in Ohio. I am supporting the passage of HB 259 to stop innocent people from being executed, and to show that Ohio values every single life.



Rep. Isaacsohn (front), joined by Rep. Justin Pizzulli, CORAS Director Dick Murray, and Speaker of the House Jason Stephens (L to R).

Coalition of Appalachian and Rural Schools Event

I had the opportunity to speak with over 60 school superintendents at a Coalition of Appalachian and Rural Schools (CORAS) event in New Boston, Ohio on September 29th. I stressed to the superintendents the need for increased funding for our public schools, highlighting that over a billion dollars is being used by the state to subsidize private education.

Rural and urban schools face many of the same challenges, and I hope to build a coalition of public schools around the state—both urban and rural—willing to fight for better education for Ohio’s students.

Voter Registration Drives

I have been busy working to register our young people to vote! Throughout the last few months, I have visited high school and college campuses to help encourage participation in our democracy, and have mailed letters of congratulations and voter registration information to Cincinnati Public School graduates.

It’s imperative that we encourage the next generation to vote, especially with so many important issues on the ballot this year. If you or someone you know needs help registering to vote, please don’t hesitate to reach out to my office!



Rep. Isaacsohn helping students at Oyler High School register to vote.



Rep. Isaacsohn speaking with high school students at the Spencer Center for Gifted and Exceptional Students.

Visiting Ohio Schools and Speaking with Students

When I joined the Ohio House of Representatives earlier this year, I recognized the importance of getting on the ground to find out what our public schools throughout the state need to succeed. That’s why I’ve been visiting schools throughout the state and speaking with students, teachers, administrators, and staff about what works and what doesn’t.

Without input from the people who are directly affected by education policy decisions in Ohio, it is impossible to provide the resources our schools need to succeed. I will continue to work closely with schools around the state to provide the best educational outcomes to all of Ohio’s students.