

A LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM STATE REP. MICHELE GRIM

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Michele Grim is a strong voice for northwest Ohio, representing the 43rd District (encompassing part of Lucas County) in the Ohio House.

Dear Neighbor,

I am beyond honored to inform you that the Ohio House Democratic Caucus has once again given me their support by electing me as their **Assistant Whip** for the 136th General Assembly. This upcoming General Assembly will not be without its challenges, but I, along with the rest of the Democratic Caucus Leadership team remain committed to advocating for not only our individuals communities, but **all Ohioans**, regardless of background.

I look forward to continuing my work for the District 43 community by introducing legislation that will make a real difference in our daily lives. **My guiding principle has and will continue to be that Ohioans deserve to live healthy lives in healthy communities.**

Finally, I would like to wish you and your family a happy holiday season. I hope this is a time of rest, joy, and, togetherness.

Yours in Service,

Michele

District Spotlight



BGSU Day of Dialogue

Last month I had the pleasure of participating in Bowling Green State University's Day of Dialogue. I contributed to the panel on **Working Across the Aisle** with my colleagues, Representatives:

- Haraz Ghanbari (R-Bowling Green)
- Joe Miller (D-Amherst)
- D.J. Swearingen (R- Huron)

We discussed the importance of bipartisanship, issues that resonate across party lines, and how to improve on these efforts in the next General Assembly.



Modernizing the Adoption Process



House Bill 5 is a bipartisan bill that aims to modernize Ohio's adoption process and improve the experience of adoption for children, birth parents, and adoptive parents. On In Session, I'm talking with Rep. Rachel Baker about her efforts to ensure more children find safe and permanent homes.

Watch all episodes of In Session at: <https://ohiohouse.gov/members/michele-grim/video>

Testifying at the Statehouse

In the month of November I had the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony on two of my bills - both in the House Commerce and Labor Committee.

I delivered sponsor testimony for **House Bill 537 - the Junk Fee Elimination Act**, with my joint sponsor Representative Munira Abdullahi of Columbus. The Junk Fee Elimination Act would require corporations to disclose all additional fees and their purposes.



I also provided sponsor testimony for **House Bill 334, the STAND UP Act** with Representative Jodi Whitted of Madeira. House Bill 334 would allow striking workers to apply for unemployment, under all the same regulations traditional unemployed workers follow.

You can watch any of my previous testimony, or watch live at: <https://ohiochannel.org/>

