



A legislative update from

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From the Desk of Representative Hall

Dear Neighbor,

Welcome to the second and final year of the 136th General Assembly! I want to welcome all of our new constituents to our monthly newsletter! Each month, you will learn about the different holidays my office honors, what is happening at the Statehouse, and events happening in House District 34. If there is a particular topic you would like to learn about, we are always open to suggestions!

In July, my office honored the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. As the United States reaches its 250th birthday, we celebrate the people who have shaped our communities, and we aim to hold the country we love to the highest standard. My office also celebrated Disability Pride Month, Global Energy Independence Day, and the anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

In this month's newsletter, you will learn more about how I am spending my summer, and what happens in the Statehouse when we are in session. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out! I would be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Here are some ways my office can assist you:

- Disputes with state government agencies
- Ohio House commendations, condolences, and congratulatory letters
- Proposing bill ideas and law changes
- Connecting you or your business to state programs or services

Helpful Contacts:

- United Way of Summit and Medina: 2-1-1
- Summit County Veterans Service Office: (330) 643-2830
- BMV: (844) 644-6268
- Summit County Board of Elections: (330) 643-5200
- Summit County Job & Family Services: (844) 640-6446
- Community Legal Aid: (330) 535-4191
- Ohio Consumers' Counsel: (614) 466-8574
- Unemployment Compensation Hotline: (877) 644-6562

Representative Hall in the Community!

Stow's Fourth of July Parade

Happy Independence Day! This year, I celebrated America's 250th birthday at the Stow Fourth of July Parade. I had a fantastic time chatting with my neighbors and passing out goodies, while sporting my U.S.A. FIFA jersey. The community put together some amazing displays for the parade, including the Disney Princesses, who kindly took a picture with me, and my personal favorite, the Stow-Munroe Falls Public Library Bookmobile!

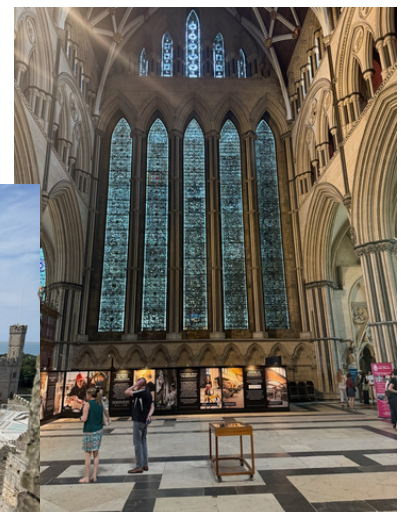


Senate Bill 264: Megan's Way Out

Stow Mayor John Pribonic and Nick and Kelly Keleman have done amazing work to garner support in local communities for their Megan's Way Out legislation, which has been adopted in Stow, and has been introduced at the state level by my colleague, Senator Weinstein. I was happy to talk with them about getting it passed in the House once it clears the Senate. This legislation requires drive-throughs to include an escape lane so drivers can leave quickly if there is an emergency.

My Family Vacation!

This summer, I had the amazing opportunity to take some time off from my many jobs, and visit Wales with my family! As a history buff, I was astounded by the incredible architecture, ruins, and stories behind some of the sites my family and I saw. I am incredibly lucky to have had this once-in-a-lifetime experience, and I hope my family enjoyed the history lessons as much as I did! During my trip, I thought about the importance of culture and community in America, and how I can better support these elements as I continue my responsibilities as a legislator.



What Happens at the Statehouse?

The Ohio House plans to resume session in November. As I take the summer to prepare for new bills, more votes, and hours of hearings, I hope this page of my newsletter helps you to learn about what actually goes on in the Statehouse!



Members have meetings with stakeholders, lobbyists, other members, and advocacy groups.



Committees hear testimony for bills and make changes before they head to the floor.



Members hold press conferences and meet with caucuses. I meet with the Democratic Caucus, the Rural Hospital Caucus, the Black Caucus and more.



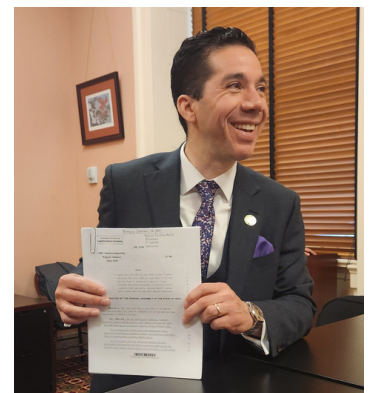
Members go to session, where they vote on bills, make speeches, and honor local accomplishments.



Members attend events such as educational briefings, ribbon cuttings, receptions, and luncheons. These events help keep members up-to-date on statewide and district happenings.



Members represent their constituents!



Members introduce bills.

Members also catch up with their staff, to hear about recent constituent opinions, casework, and to make sure the office is running smoothly.