

Legislative Newsletter

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Ohio House Bill

HB16 College Tuition

On May 6th the House Bill to grant state college residency status to military and dependents was reviewed in the Senate. After review the bill was receded for further amendments. The bill is currently holding in that status.

U.S. Senate Bill

S737 Building Blocks of STEM ACT

Back on December 24th, 2019, the Senate bill 737 became a law. The law increases grants for the participation of underrepresented populations in STEM fields and computer sciences. Grants may be used for research into various subjects regarding female students in prekindergarten -12th grade. Also, developing and offering female-inclusive computer science enrichment programs, and acquainting female students careers in computer science.

Ohio House Bill

HB287 Military Waiver Services

On May 20th the Senate Finance Subcommittee on Health and Medicaid held its third hearing regarding House Bill 287. The bill addresses Medicaid home and community-based waiver services for relatives of active duty military. The bill passed in the Senate with 32 votes.

Information is provided by The Ohio Legislature I 133rd Assembly. www.legislature.ohio.gov
 Information also provided by 116th Congress. www.congress.gov

Other Legislation:

On June 26th the Committee of Armed Services introduced the initial report regarding Senate Bill 4049, National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2021. Included in the bill are seven related pieces of legislation to include Military Spouse Career Education Act, Equality in Leadership and Inclusion in Top Elements Act, Child Care Affordability and Accessibility for Military Families Act, JROTC and ROTC Enhancement Act of 2020, and Long Range Bomber Expansion Act of 2020, Further information may be found here: www.congress.gov

News:

Governor DeWine Endorses WPAFB, Dayton Region for New U.S. Space Command Headquarters
www.governor.ohio.gov 23 June 2020 | News Release | Mike DeWine Governor of Ohio

Air Force's Air Mobility Command successfully tests new tactical data link
www.c4isrnet.com 2 July 2020 | C4ISRNET | By Andrew Eversdan

Defense Act packs wins for NASIC, Air Force Museum
www.daytondailynews.com 2 July 2020 | Dayton Daily News | By Thomas Gnau, Staff Correspondent

Wright-Patterson offers virtual STEM camps, apprenticeships as inspiration
www.daytondailynews.com 26 June 2020 | Dayton Daily News | By Whitney Westig, Air Force Research Laboratory Public Affairs

Deepfake Threats Would Get Annual DHS Look Under Proposed Law
www.defenseone.com 26 June 2020 | Defense One | By Brandy Vincent, Staff Correspondent

Big pay raise, limits on troop moves highlight defense budget measure
www.militarytimes.com 2 July 2020 | Military Times | By Leo Shane III and Joe Gould

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Explanation of terms used for Ohio Senate and House Bills:

Continued – Bill remains in its assigned committee to await further hearings, amendments, etc.

Reported – The committee has voted the bill out of committee and recommends its passage on the House or Senate floor

Referred – A newly introduced bill is assigned to a committee

Introduced – A new bill that has recently been assigned a number

Scheduled but not heard – A bill that was supposed to have a hearing in committee, but was passed over due to sponsor/chair request

Cancelled - Awaiting a new hearing date

Enacted - A bill that has passed both House and Senate and has been signed by the Governor