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Legislative Update

Below is a list of legislation the Ohio Latino Affairs Commission is tracking. We encourage you to become familiar with these proposals, as they could affect Ohio's Latino community. To read a complete list of tracked legislation, [click here](#).

House Bill 179 - Defunding Sanctuary Cities

[HB 179](#) would “require state and local authorities to cooperate with the federal government in the enforcement of immigration laws, prohibit a local government that fails to do so from receiving certain state funds, provide for the removal of officers of a local government that fails to do so, and to declare an emergency.”

Under this proposal, law enforcement agencies would be required to immediately report the identity of any arrestee whom a peace officer has reasonable cause to believe is unlawfully present in the United States to ICE, and to detain a person who is unlawfully present, upon receiving a lawful federal request or order to do so, until the person is transferred into federal custody. Local governments would not be able to adopt policies that restrict a public official or employee from inquiring about a person’s citizenship or immigration status in the course of investigating or prosecuting a violation of any law or ordinance.

A county, township, municipal corporation or law enforcement agency that fails to comply with these requirements would lose any local government fund distributions from the state as well as homeland security funding. Additionally, public officers in the legislative or executive branch of government could be removed from their post if a complaint is filed and a judge or jury orders their



Upcoming Events:

Behavioral Health & Human Services Career Fair, Cleveland - May 18

Super Saturday, Columbus - May 20

Breaking the Blues Stigma, Columbus - May 20

Cafe y Charla with Commissioner Kevin Boyce, Columbus - May 27

NAMI Hispanic/Latino Leadership Breakfast, Toledo - June 2

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removal from office. This bill was referred to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee.

Related Articles:

The Madison-Press -- [Ohio bill would ban 'sanctuary cities'](#)
Cleveland Ohio Local News -- [Ohio Treasurer Josh Mandel backs bill banning 'sanctuary cities' in Ohio](#)

House Bill 50 - EBT Photo Requirements

[HB 50](#) institutes requirements for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) recipients. New requirements would include stipulations for the EBT cards used in the program. A color photo of an adult member residing in the household would be required on the front of the ID. The back of the card would also contain a telephone number to call in the event of suspected fraud. New requirements would not apply to households without adult members, nor to households where each member is "sixty years of age or older; is blind, disabled, a victim of domestic violence; or has religious objections to being photographed." This legislation was referred to the Community and Family Advancement Committee and thus far, there have been four hearings.

Related Articles:

The Toledo Blade -- [Ohio bill would add photo ID to food-stamp cards.](#)

Senate Bill 115 - Registration of Roofing Contractors

[SB 115](#) would require the registration of roofing contractors. The legislation is aimed at "protecting Ohio consumers and businesses from dishonest roofers, also known as storm chasers." Under this proposal, roofing contractors would be required to register with the state, and a roofing contract totaling more than \$750 would require a written contract. Additionally, consumers would be given the right to cancel storm repair agreements within three days, and conflicts of interest that occur when roofing contractors also act as adjusters would also be addressed. SB 115 was referred to the Government Oversight and Reform Committee in the Senate.

Related Articles:

The Ohio Senate -- [Lawmakers Introduce Bill Targeting Storm Repair](#)

[Fraud](#)

House Bill 110 - College Credit Plus for Apprenticeship Programs

[HB 110](#) establishes a program within the College Credit Plus Program that would allow students to partake in certified apprenticeship programs while receiving college credit for their apprenticeship work. Those who qualify must attend public secondary school or nonpublic chartered secondary school and are at least sixteen years old. Students would be required to maintain a 2.5 out of 4.0 grade point average in order to participate in the program. HB 110 was referred to the Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee.

In other news....

We regret to inform you that Legislative Visit Day has been postponed. We are very disappointed, but feel that you deserve direct engagement with your legislators, and because House Session was recently canceled for June 14th, we cannot ensure engagement from the representatives and will postpone this event until next year. We have rescheduled LVD for April 11, 2018 and hope you will still consider taking part in the day's events.

Thank you for your partnership and support!

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