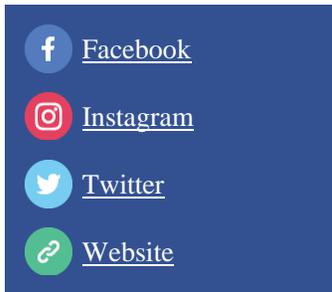




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Legislative Update

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](#).

News Impacting the Latino Community

Vocero Latino

[Why Latinos in Ohio need to vote](#)

[2018 Hispanic Legislative Visit Day](#)

La Prensa

[NW Ohio Latino students experience 'College Life for a Day' at UT's Latino Youth Summits](#)

[Student discovers leadership through summer STEAM Camp](#)

[Cleveland Municipal School District, partners to serve summer meals](#)

Dayton Daily News

House Bill 576 - Increasing State Minimum Wage

Introduced by Representative Brigid Kelly (D-Cincinnati), [HB 576](#) aims to boost the statewide minimum wage to \$12 an hour in 2019 and increase it 50 cents each year until 2025 at which point it would reach \$15. Advocates of the proposal argue that raising the minimum wage would bring hundreds of thousands of Ohioans out of poverty, namely women and racial/ethnic minority workers. Critics worry that raising wages could lead to lost jobs. HB 576 - along with its Senate companion SB 277- has been referred to Committee where it awaits a hearing.

Related Articles:

NBC4- [Rally attendees call for \\$15 minimum wage, aiming to gain the attention of state lawmakers](#)

Senate Bill 278 - Extreme Risk Protection Order Act

Two days after hundreds of thousands of students across the country called for stricter gun laws during the "March for Our Lives", Senators Joe Schiavoni (D-Boardman) and Sandra Williams (D-Cleveland) introduced [SB 278](#), which would enact the Extreme Risk Protection Order Act to allow family members, household members, and law enforcement officers to obtain a court order that temporarily restricts a person's access to firearms if that person poses a danger

[Kasich to legal immigrants: Come to Ohio](#)

Columbus Dispatch

[Central Ohio districts work to accommodate diverse student populations](#)

[Amid anti-immigrant sentiment, some Spanish speakers wary](#) **Toledo Blade**

[Latino credit union finds new home in South Toledo](#)

[Old South End murals to be torn down for I-75 construction](#)



Upcoming Events:

[Dayton Hispanic Chamber June Networking Event](#)

June 7, 2018
Hilton Garden Inn
Beavercreek

Dia para Mujeres
June 9th, 2018
Centro Martin De Porres,
Columbus

Latino Health and Safety
Fair
Saturday, July 28th
La Plaza Tapia, Columbus

[National Association of Hispanic Nurses Conference](#)
July 30-August 3, 2018
The Hilton Downtown,

to themselves or others. Also introduced were bills to: regulate the storage of firearms ([SB 279](#)); grant federally licensed gun dealers the right to refuse to sell or transfer a firearm ([SB 281](#)); and raise the minimum age to purchase a firearm to 21 ([SB 284](#)). All four bills were referred to the Government Oversight and Reform Committee where they await hearings.

Related Articles:

Cleveland Metro News - [Ohio Gov. John Kasich proposes 6 gun policy changes](#)

Dayton Daily News - [Gun control advocates push for 'red flag' law in Ohio](#)

The Columbus Dispatch - [Two Ohio Senate Democrats roll out package of gun-control bills; will GOP go along?](#)

House Bill 589 - Hispanic and Latino Heritage Month

Introduced by Representatives Dan Ramos (D-Lorain) and George Lang (R-West Chester), [HB 589](#) would designate September 15 to October 15 each year as "Hispanic and Latino Heritage Month" in an effort to honor and recognize the contributions that Hispanic and Latino Americans have made to the State of Ohio and to the United States. This legislation has been referred to the State and Local Government Committee where it awaits a hearing.

Senate Bill 302 - Health Equity Policies

Introduced by Senator Charleta Tavares (D-Columbus), [HB 302](#) would create the Health and Equity in All Policies Initiative and the Health and Equity Interagency Team. This advisory board would analyze legislation to determine the effect it might have on the health of Ohioans and the accomplishment of health equity (which it defines as, "the absence of avoidable or remediable differences in health outcomes among groups of people based on social, economic, geographic, or other demographic factors") in Ohio. This bill was introduced in the Senate on May 25th, 2018, and has yet to be referred to a committee.

House Bill 637 - Voting Pre-Registration

Cleveland

[Ohio Fair Housing Summit](#)

September 21, 2018
The Renaissance Hotel,
Toledo

[Ohio Latino Health Summit](#)

October 10th, 2018
University of Akron

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Introduced by Representative Kathleen Clyde (D-Ken), [HB 637](#) would permit sixteen- and seventeen-year-olds to preregister to vote. The bill's sponsor believes this legislation, dubbed the "Ohio Future Voter Act", would improve registration and turnout among young voters throughout the state. This proposal mirrors legislation that has passed in states such as North Carolina, Utah, and Maryland. This bill was referred to the Government Accountability and Oversight Committee where it awaits a hearing.

Related Articles:

The Columbus Dispatch - [Clyde wants voting pre-registration for Ohio teenagers](#)

Minority Caucus Blog - [Clyde Announces The Ohio Future Voter Act To Allow Voter Pre-registration](#)

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