Ohio State Board of Education Legislative Update

To: State Board of Education
Re: Legislative Update
Date: November 27, 2013

State Activity

Introduced Bills

House Bill 362 (Scherer, R – Circleville/ Derickson, R- Oxford) To authorize the STEM Committee to grant a designation of STEM school equivalent to a community school or chartered nonpublic school and to make other revisions to the law regarding STEM schools.

This Week's Committees

No House or Senate Committees met this week

Next Week's Committees

House Education Committee

House Education Committee will be meeting on Monday, December 2nd, at 5:00pm in room 313 and on Wednesday, December 4th, at 5:00pm in room 313.

Bills scheduled to be heard on Monday, December 2nd include:

> House Bill 113 (Antonio, D- Lakewood/ Henne, R- Clayton) To specify that school districts and chartered nonpublic schools may excuse from high school physical education students who participate in a school-sponsored athletic club. --4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote
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> House Bill 181 (Brenner, R-Powell) To prohibit submission of a student's personal identifiable information to the federal government without direct authorization of the local school board. --5th Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote
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> House Bill 193 (Brenner, R- Powell) To revise current high school diploma requirements including state-administered assessments. --5th Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote
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> House Bill 334 (Hayes, R- Harrison Twp. / Hottinger, R- Newark) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for actions that endanger the health and safety of other students or school employees and to declare an emergency. --3rd Hearing-All testimony

Bills scheduled to be heard on Wednesday, December 4th include:

> House Bill 242 (Hagan,R., D- Youngstown/ Foley, D- Cleveland) To require the Chancellor of the Ohio Board of Regents to consider creating a pilot program called "Pay Forward, Pay Back" to replace the current tuition system at state institutions of higher education and to declare an emergency. --1st Hearing-Sponsor testimony

House Bill 254 (Lynch, R- Chagrin Falls/ Wetherford, R – Hamilton) To prohibit state institutions of higher education from providing in-state residency status to undocumented aliens. --1st Hearing-Sponsor

House Bill 334 (Hayes, R- Harrison Twp./ Hottinger, R- Newark) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for actions that endanger the health and safety of other students or school employees and to declare an emergency. --4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote

House Bill 342 (Brenner, R- Powell/ Driehaus, D- Cincinnati) To permit an educational service center to be a partner or the lead applicant of an education consortia seeking a grant under the Straight A Program and to modify the goals of projects supported by the program. --3rd Hearing-All testimony-Possible amendments & vote

Senate Education Committee
The Senate Education Committee will meet Tuesday at 10:00am in the South Hearing Room to hear the following bills:

Senate Bill 167 (Tavares, D- Columbus) With respect to school district policies for violent, disruptive, or inappropriate behavior. --1st Hearing-Sponsor testimony

Senate Bill 229 (Gardner, R- Bowling Green) Adjustments to the teacher performance evaluations. --2nd hearing-All testimony-Possible vote

Senate Bill 239 (Schaffer, R – Lancaster) With respect to the expulsion of a student from a school district, community school, or STEM school for actions that endanger the health and safety of other students or school employees and to declare an emergency. --1st Hearing-Sponsor testimony

Senate Finance Committee
The Senate Finance Committee will meet Tuesday, December 3rd, at 2:30pm in the Finance Hearing Room to have the first hearing and sponsor testimony on **Senate Bill 231** (Gardner, R-Bowling Green/Hite, R- Findlay) with respect to the distribution of proceeds from the sale of school district real property.

Federal Activity
There is no federal update this week.