Ohio State Board of Education Legislative Update

To: State Board of Education
Re: Legislative Update
Date: April 11, 2014

State Activity

Introduced Bills

No new education related bills were introduced this week.

Passed by the Senate

House Bill 296 (Johnson, R- McDermott/ Duffey, R-Worthington) To permit public schools to procure epinephrine autoinjectors in accordance with prescribed procedures and to exempt them from licensing requirements related to the possession of epinephrine autoinjectors. The House concurred in Senate amendments to the bill.

Passed by the House

House Bill 483 (Amstutz, R-Wooster) MBR Appropriations - To make operating and other appropriations and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs. (57-33)

House Bill 487 (Brenner, R- Powell) With regard to education provisions for students in grades kindergarten through twelve. (61-28)

This Week's Committees

House Finance and Appropriations Committee
The House Finance and Appropriations Committee met Monday, April 7th and Tuesday, April 8th to hear **House Bill 483** (Amstutz, R-Wooster) MBR Appropriations - To make operating and other appropriations and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs. The committee accepted an omnibus amendment to the bill. Most notably, funding was removed and then restored be the bill was favorably reported out of committee on Tuesday, for the Adult Career Opportunity Pilot Program.

House State & Local Government Committee
The House State & Local Government Committee met Tuesday, April 8th for the 3rd hearing on the DataOhio package. No testimony was provided.

The DataOhio Package includes the following pieces of legislation:

House Bill 321 (Duffey, R- Worthington/ Hagan, C., R-Alliance), to create the DataOhio Board, and to specify requirements for posting public records online

House Bill 322 (Duffey, R-Worthington/ Hagan, C., R-Alliance), to require the Auditor of State to adopt rules regarding a uniform accounting system for public offices
House Bill 323 (Duffey, R-Worthington/Hagan, C., R-Alliance), to establish an online catalog of public data at data.Ohio.gov

House Bill 324 (Duffey, R-Worthington), to establish the Local Government Information Exchange Grant Program and to make an appropriation.

Next Week's Committees

House and Senate Committees will not meet next week.

Federal Activity

There is no federal update this week.