Ohio State Board of Education Legislative Update

To: State Board of Education
Re: Legislative Update
Date: May 3, 2013

State Activity

This Week's Committees

House Education Committee

The House Education Committee met on Wednesday and unanimously passed House Bill 14 (Pelanda, R-Marysville) with respect to a school district's withholding or transfer to another district or school of the records of a child who is alleged or adjudicated an abused, neglected, or dependent child. The following witnesses offered proponent testimony:

- Nicole Harper, Public Children Services Association of Ohio
- Sarah Biehl, Children's Defense Fund-Ohio

Senate Finance Education Subcommittee

The Senate Finance Education Subcommittee met on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and heard testimony on House Bill 59 from the following:

- Bruce Johnson, Inter-University Council of Ohio
- C. Todd Jones, Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio
- Paul Brown, Ohio Association of Community Colleges
- Ron Abrams, Ohio Association of Community Colleges
- David Rankin, Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools
- Rhonda Daniels, Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools/ Fortis College
- Wayne Korpics, Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools/ Brown Mackie
- Matt Dotson, Ohio Education Association
- Melissa Clark, Ohio Education Association
- Melissa Cropper, Ohio Federation of Teachers
- Darold Johnson, Ohio Federation of Teachers
- Julie Henahan, Ohio Arts Council
- Tim Greenwood, Ohio Citizens for the Arts
- Craig Burford, Ohio Educational Service Center Association
- Barbara Mattei-Smith, Governor's Office of 21st Century Education
- Ann Sheldon, Ohio Association of Gifted Children
- David Yost, State Auditor
- John McAvoy, Northwest Ohio Conservative Coalition
- Barbara Shaner, Ohio Association of School Business Officials
- Damon Asbury, Ohio School Boards Association
- Tom Ash, Buckeye Association of School Administrators
- Chris Renn, Millstream Career Center
- Cathy Bryan, Ohio Virtual Academy
- Taylor Bryan, Ohio Virtual Academy
- James Thomas, Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow

- Dan Dodd, Ohio Association of Independent Schools
- Dave Cash, Ohio Association of Charter School Authorizers
- Larry Keough, Catholic Conference of Ohio
- Dan Garrick, St. Francis DeSales Catholic High School
- Beverly Cain, State Library of Ohio
- Stephen Hedges, Ohio Public Library Information Network
- Rabbi A.D. Motzen, Agudath Israel
- Bill Sims, Ohio Alliance for Public Charter Schools
- Susan Stagner, Connections Academy
- Ron Matter, Penta Career Center
- Tina Grove, Henrickson Auxiliary Axel

Next Week's Committees

House Education Committee

The House Education Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, May 8 at 5:00 pm in Room 121 of the Statehouse to hear the following bills:

- House Bill 127 (R. Adams, R- Troy), to designate the month of March as "Career Technical Education and Workforce Development Month"- 1st hearing- all testimony- possible vote
- House Bill 32 (Hayes, R- Harrison Township/ Patmon, D-Cleveland), to establish a school year for school districts, STEM school and chartered nonpublic schools based on hours, rather than days of instruction- 1st hearing- sponsor testimony
- House Bill 111 (Duffey, R-Worthington/ Stinziano, D-Columbus), to grant student members of the boards of trustees of state universities and the Northeast Ohio Medical University voting power and the authority to attend executive sessions- 1st hearing- sponsor testimony

Senate Finance Education Subcommittee

The Senate Finance Education Subcommittee will be meeting on the following days to hear from the listed individuals on House Bill 59:

Tuesday, May 7 at 11:00 am in the South Hearing Room

- OSU Agricultural Programs
- Coalition of Rural and Appalachian Schools
- Ohio Coalition for Equity & Adequacy
- Thomas B. Fordham Institute
- Ohio 8

Wednesday, May 8 at 10:00 am in the South Hearing Room

- Early Childhood Education Testimony from the Governor's Office
- Children's Discovery Center
- Central Ohio YMCA
- GroundWork
- Kettering City Schools
- Champions for Ohio's Future
- Jim Zimmerman, Chair and CEO of Macy's
- Alliance for Early Education Advocates

Thursday, May 9 at 9:00 am in the South Hearing Room

- Public Testimony- presentations to be announced

Federal Activity

There is no federal activity to report.