



THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES OF TEACHER EDUCATION

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

JUNE 26, 2019

The Legislature is working on the budget which must be finished by June 30. The conference committee is working and dealing with a lot of “hot button” issues from both the House and the Senate versions. OACTE and OCTEO have worked hard with assistance from AACTE to keep our issues in front of the Conference Committee (Changes in requirements for long term substitute requirements, elimination of the “not for profit” language for Alternative Licensure, and the continuation of JEOC). Several education issues are being discussed including the school takeover issue and graduation requirements.

The summer recess is almost on us. Much will happen behind the scene before the House and Senate meet again. Note: The Issue of school funding will heat up again with the introduction of House Bill 305 (see attached).

Senate Education

(Chair [Lehner, P.](#), (614) 466-4538),

HB 154

ACADEMIC DISTRESS ([MILLER, J.](#), [JONES, D.](#))

To dissolve academic distress commissions and to instead require the creation of community learning centers for buildings in low-performing school districts. --1st Hearing-Sponsor

Panel Debates Potential Tweaks To House School Takeover Plan

A sponsor of the House's plan for overhauling school district takeovers told a Senate panel he's open to changes as a decision on the proposal's inclusion in the budget looms.

[Rep. Don Jones](#) (R-Freeport) on Tuesday went before the Senate Education Committee to testify in support of a measure ([HB 154](#)) dissolving existing academic distress commissions – language that the upper chamber stripped out of the budget ([HB 166](#)) last week.

Full testimony is available on the [committee's website](#) under June 25. ([Video](#))

House Higher Education

(Chair [Keller, C.](#), (614) 644-5094),

HB 9

DEGREE COMPLETION ([JONES, D.](#), [SWEENEY, B.](#))

With regard to student degree completion at state institutions of higher education and to establish a universal standard for general education courses required by state universities. --4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible substitute (On House calendar for Thursday, June 27-Pending committee report) (5th Hearing-All testimony-Possible vote)



Senate Higher

Education ([Testimony & Documents](#))

(Chair [Kunze, S.](#), (614) 466-5981),

HB 16

COLLEGE TUITION ([PERALES, R.](#))

To grant residency status for in-state college tuition to active military service members and their spouses and dependents.--1st Hearing-Sponsor

House Primary & Secondary Education ([Testimony & Documents](#))

(Chair [Blessing, L.](#), (614) 466-9091)

The following was deleted from the agenda:

HB 281

VALEDICTORIANS ([ANTANI, N.](#))

To require each school district board to designate one valedictorian and one salutatorian at each high school operated by the district. --1st Hearing-Sponsor

Remaining previous agenda:

HB 164

RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION ([GINTER, T.](#))

Regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2019." --4th Hearing-All testimony-Possible vote

Joint Education Oversight Committee

(Chair [Cupp, R.](#), (614) 466-9624), Rm. 121, 9:00 am [Add to Calendar](#)

- Presentations on Prepared for Success Component of Ohio's Report Cards by Ron Iarussi, Superintendent Marion City Schools / BASA Work Group and Christine Galvin – Educational Service Center of Central Ohio

BUDGET CONFERENCE COMMITTEE: Working this week. OCTEO has made on more plea related to the Substitute change and the "for profit" issue. See below for the note about JEOC.

Budget Conference Committee To Decide Fate Of Education Oversight Panel

- The legislature will have one less joint committee this fall unless lawmakers save the panel during the upcoming conference committee on the biennial budget. The Senate voted unanimously Thursday to pass the two-year spending outline ([HB](#)



[166](#)), which would abolish the Joint Education Oversight Committee on Oct. 1. The House-passed bill featured no such language on the entity, which was created in a prior budget (HB64, 131st General Assembly) to assist the legislature with education policy issues.

At The Statehouse: Summer Break Is Almost Here

It's the last week of the fiscal year, which means it's the end of the biennial budget process, unless things go horribly wrong. After that, the House and Senate will not be in session until September as lawmakers spend time in their districts. In practice, it also means that, not only will Ohio get a final budget deal, lawmakers are also likely to rush through a few other high priority items this week that they prefer not to wait until fall.

SCHOOL FUNDING PROPOSED AGAIN:

HB 305

Tracked

SCHOOL FUNDING (CUPP, R., [PATTERSON, J.](#))

To create a new school financing system, and to make an appropriation.
(See attached)

Bill	Status	Summary/Title	Last Action ▼
HB166	Enroll	Creates FY 2020-2021 operating budget	<u>2019-06-20</u> Insist on amendments; asks for committee of conference
HB123	Intro	Regards school security and youth suicide awareness/training	<u>2019-06-19</u> Reported - Substitute: Primary and Secondary Education



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HB16	Engross	Grant state college residency status to military and dependents	2019-06-11 To Senate Higher Education Committee
SB147	Intro	Create Ohio School Marshal Program	2019-06-06 To Senate Local Government Public Safety and VA
HB9	Intro	Regards student degree completion and general ed requirements	2019-05-22 <i>[Hearing: Jun 26 @ 11:00 am]</i> To House Higher Education Committee
HB154	Engross	Dissolve and replace academic distress commissions	2019-05-15 To Senate Education Committee
HB239	Intro	Reduce end-of-course assessments; require testing work groups	2019-05-14 To House Primary and Secondary Education Committee
SB120	Engross	Conduct performance audits of state higher ed institutions	2019-05-08 To House Higher Education Committee



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SB121	Intro	Adopt health education standards/GA need only approve VD ed	<u>2019-05-01</u> To Senate Education Committee
HB165	Intro	Regards adoption of health education standards	<u>2019-04-02</u> To House Primary and Secondary Education Committee
HB164	Intro	Regards student religious expression	<u>2019-03-26</u> To House Primary and Secondary Education Committee
SB102	Intro	Establish Dyslexia Screen Program for schools	<u>2019-03-21</u> To Senate Education Committee
SB110	Intro	Modify operation of school academic distress commissions	<u>2019-03-21</u> To Senate Education Committee
SB69	Intro	Regards community college career programs-grants/credit	<u>2019-03-06</u> To Senate Higher Education Committee



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HB90	Intro	Spread information to protect humanity of unborn child	<u>2019-03-05</u> To House Health Committee
HB88	Intro	Enact Forming Open and Robust University Minds Act	<u>2019-03-05</u> To House Civil Justice Committee
SB40	Intro	Enact the Forming Open and Robust University Minds Act	<u>2019-02-20</u> To Senate Education Committee
SB34	Intro	Regards school employment, educator licensure, and conduct	<u>2019-02-13</u> To Senate Education Committee
HB305	N/A	To amend sections 3301.0714, 3302.20, 3310.08, 3310.41, 3310.51, 3310.54, 3310.56, 3313.64, 3313.98, 3313.981, 3314.08, 3314.084, 3314.087, 3314.091, 3314.11, 3314.20, 3315.18, 3317.013, 3317.014, 3317.016, 3317.02, 3317.021, 3317.022, 3317.023, 3317...	<i>No Action History</i>