

Advocacy Report November 2013

LEGISLATIVE ALERTS AND UPDATES (from capwiz)

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- Show support for Common Core State Standards and OPPOSE HB237
 - Tell Your State Legislators to Support Safe Driving!
Help keep our roads safe! HB 204
 - Support HB 256 Health Education Standards

(Ohio and Iowa are the only two states in the U.S. without state standards in Health. By establishing a minimum level of education, Ohio can be confident that all students are receiving basic information.)

Other Ohio Legislation Concerning Children (from Ohio PTA website):

SB 162 - require that a public or private school must install carbon monoxide detectors

SB 158 - exempt from closure certain community schools that enroll students receiving behavioral health services

SB 96 - require one unit of world history in the high school social studies curriculum

SB 42 - school districts levy exclusively for school safety and security purposes

SB 21 - Third-Grade Reading Guarantee

SB 15 - General Assembly to determine cost of a high quality public primary & secondary education

SB 11 - alternative summer meal sponsors

HB 228 - reform the system of funding elementary and secondary education

HB 215 - authorize a board of education or governing authority of a school to enter into an agreement with a volunteer who is a current or retired law enforcement officer to patrol school premises to prevent or respond to a mass casualty event

HB 193 - revise current high school diploma requirements including state-administered assessments

HB 181 - prohibit submission of a student's personal identifiable information to the federal government without direct authorization of the local school board

HB 59 - operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015

HB 32 - establish a minimum school year based on hours

HB 30 - regarding letters of admonishment to licensed educators

HB 18 - with respect to metal detectors in public schools

HB 14 - school records of a child who is alleged or adjudicated an abused, neglected, or dependent

Note: Common Core Parent Guides available at: <http://www.ptacommoncore.org/>

All of the above can be found on the Advocacy then “Issues and Legislation” Tab with links to more information about each Bill (www.ohiopta.org)

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