


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### **Week of February 10, 2025**

#### **LSC simulations and budget bill text released**

The bill text of Gov. **Mike DeWine**'s proposed budget was released late Tuesday this week, and school-funding simulations from the Legislative Service Commission are now available. Simulations are still not yet available from the Office of Budget and Management. The bill text is [accessible here](#). Simulations are [available here](#).

Meanwhile, state agency testimony on the budget continues, and public testimony on the education provisions of the budget will commence on Feb. 25, with additional hearings scheduled for Feb. 26 and March 4 and 5.

#### **Tressel sworn in as Lieutenant Governor**

**Jim Tressel**, former president of Youngstown State University and Ohio State University football coach, was sworn in on Friday as Ohio's lieutenant governor (LG). Both chambers of the General Assembly confirmed Gov. **Mike DeWine**'s pick to succeed former LG **Jon Husted** who now serves in the U.S. Senate.

## **State of the State** SEP

Gov. DeWine is set to deliver the State of the State on March 12. A specific time is not yet announced.

## **Heard around the Statehouse**

"The reason for this bill is to expose our students to the documents which have, in America, served as the backbone of our legal and moral traditions as a people. In my mind, it has been inexcusable that more focus has not been shown towards these historic texts within the academic arena in our state, denying the vital legal and moral essence that our children need to thrive as good American citizens." - Sen. **Terry Johnson**, speaking in support of his bill - Senate Bill 34 - that would require schools to display certain historical documents, including the Ten Commandments.

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