

**Alliance for High Quality Education
Legislative/System Improvements Committee**

Zoom Meeting Summary
Friday, February 28, 2025
10:00 a.m.

In attendance on video conference: Executive Director Tony Podojil and Legislative Consultant William Schwartz and member representatives from 48 school districts.

Tony convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. The primary focus of the meeting was to update Alliance members regarding the most recent legislative activity listed below:

I. MAJOR BILLS UNDER CONSIDERATION

- a. HB 96 – Main Operating Budget Bill
The bill is currently under consideration in the House Finance Committee while standing committees hold informal hearings on the bill to hear testimony from interested parties. A March 14 deadline for amendments tees up an April 1 unveiling of the House’s first round of changes. A second round of changes is expected on April 8, followed by a full vote of the House on April 9.
- b. SB 7 – Substance Use Education
The bill is currently pending in the Senate Education Committee.
- c. SB 19 – Academic Intervention Services
The bill is currently pending in the Senate Education Committee.
- d. SB 66 – Emergency/Substitute Millage
The bill is currently pending in the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

II. RECENTLY INTRODUCED BILLS

- a. HB 3 – School Bus Safety Act
- b. HB 15 – TPP Exemptions
- c. HB 17 – Property Tax Classification of Storage Condos
- d. HB 22- Homestead Exemption – Surviving Spouses
- e. HB 26 – Required Cooperation with Federal Law Enforcement
- f. HB 28 – Eliminate Replacement Levies
- g. HB 43 – Minimum Hours for Ashtabula Lakeside High School
- h. HB 57 – Overdose Reversal School Policy
- i. HB 61 – Homestead Exemption – Owner-Occupancy Credit
- j. HB 62 – College Credit Plus
- k. HB 77 – Presentation of Diabetes Information to Parents
- l. HB 88 – Require K-12 Fentanyl Education
- m. HB 89 – Temporary Property Tax Reduction
- n. HB 96 – Main Operating Budget Bill
- o. HB 97 – Public School Meals
- p. HB 98 – Community Connectors Workforce Program
- q. HB 103 – Homestead Exemption –Amount and Income Limit
- r. HB 106 – Grant Program for Wearable Panic Alert System
- s. HB 113 – School District Approval of Residential CRAs
- t. HB 114 – Kindergarten Age Admission
- u. SB 2 – TPP Exemptions
- v. SB 7 – Substance Use Education
- w. SB 8 – Prohibit Employee Pay for Political/Lobbying Activities
- x. SB 12 – Community Foundations for Public Schools
- y. SB 19 – Academic Intervention Services
- z. SB 22 – Income Tax Credit for Property Tax Relief
- aa. SB 30 – Require Retailers to Accept Cash Payment
- bb. SB 34 – Require Display of Historical Educational
- cc. SB 44 –Dual Usage of EdChoice and Special Needs Vouchers
- dd. SB 62 – School Bus Safety Act
- ee. SB 66 – Substitute and Emergency Millage in the 20-Mill Floor
- ff. SB 68 – Non-chartered Nonpublic Education Savings Account
- gg. SB 69 – Reform Public Retirement Systems
- hh. SB 81 – Property Tax Freeze

- ii. SB 92 – Homestead Exemption – Disabled Veterans
- jj. SB 93 – Create New School Financing System
- kk. SB 105 – Require Wearable Panic Alert System

III. DEW/STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

VI. OTHER ISSUES

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is March 28, 2025, at 10am.
The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.