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## From the desk of Rep. Juanita O. Brent HOUSE DISTRICT 22

Dear Neighbor,

July is a busy month. This month we celebrate American Independence Day, National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, and Plastic FREE July. Celebrate and engage with what keeps the United States equitable and safe for all Americans.

This month I am continuing my work in the community. In June, I took tours of the University Heights Fire Department, Shaker Heights Police Department, and Cleveland Fire Department. I spoke at PRIDE in the CLE, attended the Cleveland Heights League of Women Voters meeting, and participated in Juneteenth and Pride events in the District. In doing my part to continue the fight for equality I am joint sponsoring HB225, which would have Ohio designate June as Pride Month.

The State Budget was signed into law on July 3rd. The Budget is a total of \$190.7 Billion.

August 8th is Ohio's Special Election for Issue 1. Issue 1 would raise the requirement to pass citizen-led amendments to the Ohio Constitution from a simple majority(50%+1) to a supermajority (60%). If Issue 1 passes, the voices of Ohio's voters will be silenced. Your vote determines the future of Ohio's democracy.

As always, contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,  
State Representative Juanita O. Brent  
House District 22



## Out In The Community



University Heights  
Fire Department

Pride in the CLE



Ronald McDonald  
House

CROWN Act Press  
Conference



## Helpful Contacts

**Public Safety:** [www.publicsafety.ohio.gov](http://www.publicsafety.ohio.gov)

**Taxation:** [www.tax.ohio.gov](http://www.tax.ohio.gov)

**Jobs and Family Services:**  
[www.jfs.ohio.gov](http://www.jfs.ohio.gov)

**Bureau of Motor Vehicles:**

Highway Patrol 877-7-PATROL

Form Requests 800-282-1782

Veteran Services 888-296-7541

[www.bmv.ohio.gov](http://www.bmv.ohio.gov)

DUI Hotline 800-GRAB-DUI

Taxpayer Assistance 800-282-1780

Unemployment 877-644-6562

Information 800-589-TAGS

# HB178 CROWN Act Lobby Day

# Rep. Brent July Town Hall

The CROWN Act Lobby day was June 14th. CROWN Act advocates came out and spoke to legislators about the importance of protections against hair discrimination.

**What:** Rep. Brent is hosting a Town Hall to provide information about the state budget, the August 8th Special election on Issue 1, and provide a statehouse update.

The CROWN Act (HB178) is the House Civil Justice Committee. The CROWN Act has received three committee hearing so far.

**Time:** 6pm – 8pm

- June 6: Rep. Brent testified
- June 13: Proponent Testimony
- June 20: Opponent & Proponent testimony

**Where:** Stephanie Tubbs Jones Community Building

## Lobby Day Events

- Press Conference
- Lobby Day Meetings
- Panel Discussion



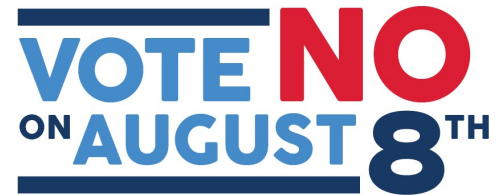
Alpha Kappa Alpha, NAACP Cleveland, NCBW100, Councilwoman Favor

# July 25th, 2023

Location: 3450 Lee Rd, Shaker Heights, OH

# August 8th Special Election

Issue 1 is on the ballot in the Special Election. Issue 1 would increase the requirement to pass citizen led constitutional amendments from a majority (50%+1) of voters to a supermajority (60%).



PROTECT ONE PERSON ONE VOTE

## Election Timeline

- July 10: Last day of voter registration
- July 11: Early voting begins
- August 1: Last day to request vote by mail
- August 8: Election Day

# State Budget

The 2024-2025 State Budget is \$190.7 Billion. The Governor has signed it into law.

Education	Health Care	Taxes	Municipal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SB 1-</b> Governor taking away State School Board power</li> <li>• Grades 6 -12 students to provide free feminine hygiene products</li> <li>• Universal School Voucher</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased Medicaid reimbursement for Dental, Vision, and Ambulance</li> <li>• \$26 Million Early Childhood Education</li> <li>• Medicaid lodging program for children with special needs and their families</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sales Tax Exemption for Baby Products</li> <li>• Income Tax Exemption for Minors</li> <li>• Indexes Homestead Exemption to inflation</li> <li>• Increases sports gaming tax rate from 10% to 20%.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increases Local Government Fund to 1.7%</li> <li>• Increases Public Library Fund to 1.7%</li> <li>• Removes the Good Samaritan law</li> <li>• Low Income Housing Tax Credit</li> </ul>