

September 2023 Legislative Update from

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## From the desk of Rep. Juanita O. Brent

HOUSE DISTRICT 22

Dear Neighbor,

In August, I continued in my work in the District. I joined in the Ohio Collaborative Policing Meeting. I attended NCSL and Sawmill Creek Policy Conference and I toured the New Bridge Cleveland Center, the Manufacturing Advocacy and Growth Network (MAGNET), and Camp Cheerful. I attended a rally in support of SEIU 1199 members and participated in groundbreaking of Habitat for humanity. I participated in the Agricultural committee hearing at Ohio State Fair and explored 4-H exhibits at the Cuyahoga County Fair.

The Month of September holds many holidays to celebrate. September is Hispanic Heritage month, Labor Day, Rosh Hashanah and Suicide Prevention Day. It is also back-to-school season

As our students begin to return back to school, the Ohio Legislature gets back to work. The Ohio House is scheduled to go back into session this month.

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

Sincerely,

State Representative Juanita O. Brent

House District 22

Cuyahoga County  
Fair



## Out In The Community

### Ohio Collaborative Police Meeting



### Fire Department Community Event



## Helpful Contacts

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

Highway Patrol 877-7-PATROL

DUI Hotline 800-GRAB-DUI

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

Form Requests 800-282-1782

Taxpayer Assistance 800-282-1780

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

Veteran Services 888-296-7541

Unemployment 877-644-6562

**Bureau of Motor Vehicles:**

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

Information 800-589-TAGS

# Redistricting 101

Rep. Brent and Rep. Brennan are hosting a Redistricting Webinar to provide information and expectation for the soon to start redistricting process.

**When:** Sunday, **September 10th**, 7:00pm

Registration Link: [Click Here](#)

**Zoom Webinar ID:** 865 5302 9127

**Passcode:** 259094

# Pet Tax Credit Press Conference

Rep. Brent and Rep. Ray are hosting a press conference for the Pet Friendly Rental Act which provides a tax credit for landlords who allow pets without additional rent or fees.

**When:** Tuesday, **September 19th** (9:30am)

**Where:** Cleveland Animal Protective League  
(1729 Willey Ave, Cleveland OH)

# Women's Health Fair & Empowerment Expo

Rep. Brent is joining Metro Health to host the Multicultural Women's Health Fair & Empowerment Expo. Come learn how to better navigate the health care process and receive free Health Screenings.

**To Register:** Call 216-957-3862

**Time:** 12:00pm (Noon) – 4:30pm

**Where:** Huntington Convention Center

## Saturday September 30th

**Location:** 300 Lakeside Ave, Cleveland OH



# Redistricting Process

The Ohio Supreme Court deemed all proposed congressional district maps as unconstitutional in 2022. Therefore, maps have to be redrawn in 2023 for the 2024 election.

## Who is on the Redistricting Commission

- One individual selected by the Senate President
- One individual selected by the Speaker of the House
- One individual selected by Senate Minority Leader
- One individual selected by the House Minority Leader
- The Governor
- The Auditor
- The Secretary of State

## Redistricting Petition Drives

- Citizen groups are trying to place a constitutional amendment on the Nov. 7th ballot to change Ohio's Redistricting process
- This amendment would create a citizen-led redistricting commission with 15 members split evenly between registered Republicans, Democrats and Independents.
- If approved petitioners would then need to gather at least 413 thousand signatures to qualify for the ballot.



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