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### April at The Ohio Statehouse!

Dear Neighbor,

Happy April! I hope you too were able to enjoy the excitement and wonder of the 2024 solar eclipse. This month we also celebrated Earth Day, let these two events remind us of our responsibility to protect our planet so that we can continue enjoying the beauty of nature. I will continue working hard to protect our natural resources and bring environmentally friendly policy to Ohio.

Since our last newsletter, I attended the Governor’s State of the State address with my good friend, Carrie Spangler. Carrie is an Audiologist and a relentless advocate for giving kids access to hearing aids. She was instrumental in helping me pass my bill, Madeline’s Law, out of the House last year. I’m excited to continue working with Carrie, the volunteers from Let Ohio Hear, and the rest of the hearing community to pass our bill into law!



At the Statehouse, I and the rest of the Jewish Caucus hosted our annual Passover Seder. I’m thankful for my bipartisan and interfaith group of colleagues, friends, and extended members of the community who prayed, celebrated, reflected, drank, and dined with us at this important event. I’m incredibly proud to help carry this torch for our Jewish community.

Back in the 34th, I was able to visit Direction Home Akron Canton Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities and tour their brand-new facility. I also met with The Ohio Academy of Science during their visit to the district for their annual meeting. I enjoyed meeting with both of these organizations and learning from them on how together we can make Ohio better for all who call it home.

As always, it’s an honor to serve you at the Statehouse! Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office for any reason. We are here to serve you however we can. We encourage you to continue to share with us your thoughts, concerns, and any ideas you may have.

Sincerely,

Casey Weinstein  
State Representative  
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### Legislative Update: HB 449 gets its first hearing

Last week my colleague and friend, Representative Munira Abdullahi and I stood in front of the Homeland Security Committee and provided sponsor testimony for HB 449.

As explained in my previous newsletter, this legislation would require the Digest of Motor Vehicle Laws to be translated into more languages. Ohio currently offers the test in 8 languages but only has the manual translated into 3. What some other states have been doing to share this resource more efficiently is translating their manual into different languages and putting up these translations on their websites.

Looking at some neighboring states, Michigan currently offers its driver’s manual in 12 different languages with “more coming soon” promised on its website. Ohio should follow in their footsteps and level the playing field for all. It is simply not enough to allow people to take the knowledge exam in their native language if we are not giving them a fair chance of passing the exam and getting their driver’s license. Equal opportunities for all include equal access to the resources that make those opportunities possible.

If you have any questions regarding HB 449 or anything else, please feel free to contact my office.



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