



A legislative update from
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Dear Neighbor,

Happy March! I hope you and your loved ones are well and in good health. As your State Representative, I am humbled to provide this month's legislative newsletter as we strive to create a state that truly represents and works for all Ohioans.

This month, we honor Women's History Month, a time to celebrate the significant contributions of women who have shaped Ohio and our daily lives. Their resilience, innovation, and leadership serve as the backbone of our society. It's imperative that we address critical issues such as reproductive rights, gender wage gaps, and violence against women, to protect and uplift all women in our state.

In the legislature, I am actively working on important bills aimed at addressing Ohio's sub-minimum wage, removing lead pipes, and funding scholarships for youth in foster care. These are just a few of the initiatives I am pursuing to create a more equitable and just Ohio for all of us.

I also want to express my profound gratitude to everyone who participated in the Primary Election on March 19th. Your dedication to our democracy and community is truly admirable. By casting your vote, you played a pivotal role in shaping our state's future. Thank you for making your voices heard and contributing to the strength and vibrancy of our democracy.

Serving as your State Representative has been a privilege of a lifetime. I am here to support you and address your concerns. For assistance or to share your thoughts, please contact my office by email at Rep01@OhioHouse.Gov or by phone at (614) 466-5343.

Sincerely,

Dontavius L. Jarrells

State Representative
 Ohio House District 01

Bill Spotlight of the Month

INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE

H.B. 427 - Enact Employment, Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities Act



Authored by Representatives Jarrells and Lipps, this bill phases out the payment of subminimum wages to individuals with physical or mental disabilities in Ohio over the next five years. This legislation represents a landmark decision in affirming the rights of individuals with disabilities to minimum wage compensation.



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District 1 Updates

\$36,233,142

IN FUNDING SECURED FOR:

- Ohio Center for Advanced Technologies
- Downtown Columbus Capital Line
- Columbus Symphony Orchestra
- Downtown Security Demand Center
- Knoll View Place
- Ohio Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs

The Ohio House of Representatives passed H.B. 2. This landmark legislation will allocate \$2B in state funds towards initiatives aimed at driving economic growth and expanding opportunities throughout the state.

H.B. 2 includes half of the \$700M from the One Time Strategic Community Investments Fund (OTSCIF). Notably, it earmarks more than \$36 million dollars for projects and organizations within House District 1, promising substantial local impact. An additional \$16M has been allocated to Columbus State College from the Higher Education Improvement Fund for Student Success Renovations.

H.B. 2 now awaits review by the Ohio Senate, where its approval will ensure the distribution of these critical funds to Ohioans.



Rep. Jarrells co-sponsors Home Buyer Protection act (Rep. Williams (R-Sylvania)).



Rep. Jarrells hosts 3rd Graders from the Columbus Torah Academy in the House Chamber

REP. JARRELLS IN THE DISTRICT:



Rep. Jarrells inspiring advocates at Statewide Prevention Coalition Association.



Rep. Jarrells meeting with American Institute of Architects-Ohio discussing affordable housing and building codes.



Rep. Jarrells meeting with Lanel Haywood about community outreach in Black American healthcare

Rep. Jarrells speaking at Black History Month press conference (Rep. Mohamed D-Columbus, left; Rep. Upchurch D-Cleveland).

