

## Legislative News: Two-Week Review



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### ***In Case You Missed It:***

[\*Inmates Challenge Law that Could Keep Them Locked Up Longer: Associated Press, January 11, 2023\*](#)

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- Keep an eye on our website for [Enactment News](#) providing effective dates and explaining the various bills that were passed in December: [SB 16](#) (Increase in penalty for assault and amended to include changes to importuning crimes, to police riot powers, and to shackling of pregnant detainees); [SB 288](#) (the criminal justice omnibus that was heavily amended to include distracted driving restrictions, and clarification of charges allowable when a juvenile is bound over); [HB 343](#) (Marsy's Law, or the victims' rights bill); [SB 202](#) (a guardianship bill that was amended to include some portions of [SB 199](#), and to require a Bail Task Force that collects data from sheriffs about jail population); and others.
- On 1.3.23, the Supreme Court released [proposed Rule changes](#) for a second public comment period on the following proposed amendments to the Ohio Rules of Civil Procedure (1, 1.1, 4.1, 4.6, 10, 26, 30, 33, 36, 37, 39, 43, 45, 53, 57, 65.1, 73, 75, and Civil Form 20), the Ohio Rules of Criminal Procedure (1, 2, 10, 12, 15, 33.1, 40, and 43), the Ohio Rules of Evidence (101, 601, 607, 609, and 616), and the Ohio Rules of Juvenile Procedure (1, 2, 8, 18, 27, 34, 35, and 41). Comments are due by 2.17.23.
- [SB 9](#) (Sens. Huffman, Schuring) **Medical Marijuana Changes**, introduced 1.11.23. The bill is a reintroduction of last assembly's SB 261. The bill expands the list of medical conditions that are eligible for treatment with medical marijuana, including any condition that a recommending physician believes would be helped by medical marijuana. The bill also expands the permissible forms of medical marijuana that may be dispensed to include pills, capsules and suppositories, oral pouches, oral strips, oral or topical sprays, salves, lotions, or similar items, and inhalers.
- [SB 19](#) (Sen. Wilson) **Non-Recourse Litigation Advance**, introduced 1.11.23. The bill is a reintroduction of law assembly's SB 94. The bill requires companies engaged in non-recourse civil litigation advance to file a registration, to obtain a corporate surety bond of at least \$50,000, to cap fees to 10% of the original amount of money provided to the consumer, and limits the duration of a non-recourse civil litigation advance to three years. The bill also adds several new consumer protections relating to the non-recourse civil litigation.
- [SB 21](#) (Sens. McColley, Reynolds) **Court Jurisdiction Changes and Agency Order Appeal**, introduced 1.11.23. The bill is a reintroduction of last assembly's HB 286. It would allow a person to appeal certain state agencies' orders in the common pleas court in the county of residence of the appellant (not in Franklin County, as currently required). The bill also makes jurisdictional changes to the Bowling Green and Tiffin-Fostoria Municipal Courts, and makes eligibility changes to the Hamilton County Drug Court.
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