

Legislative News: Two-Week Review



May 23, 2022

In Case You Missed It:

[For National Drug Court Month, NADCP is Sponsoring the Art of Recovery](#)

[How Reliable is Forensic Science?; The Atlantic, May 12, 2022](#)

[New York's Red Flag Law Should Have Helped Thwart Mass Shooting -- What Went Wrong?; NBC, May 16, 2022](#)

The Ohio Judicial Conference is dedicated to serving all Ohio judges. The Judicial Conference is the voice of the judiciary & a primary resource to ensure the fair, unbiased, open & effective administration of justice.

- [HCR 48](#) (Rep. Stewart) **Disapprove Proposed CivR 39(C)**, introduced 5.17.22. The resolution would reject a proposal to the Rules of Civil Procedure that certain proceedings can be conducted remotely.
- [HB 343](#) (Rep. White) **Victims' Rights**, voted out of the House, 5.18.22. The bill codifies restitution considerations and creates a process for a victim's constitutional right to appeal trial decisions that impact a victim's rights.
- [HB 545](#) (Reps. Abrams, Baldrige) **Testimonial Privilege**, voted out of the House, 5.18.22. The bill allows for privileged testimonial communications between a peer support team member and an individual receiving peer support services or advice.
- [HB 567](#) (Reps. Brown, Stewart) **Civil Dockets Online**, voted out of the House, 5.18.22. The bill requires a common pleas court's civil dockets to appear on a clerk's web site.
- [HB 648](#) (Rep. Pavliga) **Portage County Domestic Relations Court**, introduced 5.11.22. The bill expands the jurisdiction of the domestic relations court in Portage County, so that it becomes a family court. Jurisdiction would extend to cases involving parentage, paternity, child support, parental rights and responsibilities, the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act, the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, and all post-decree proceedings and matters arising from those cases and proceedings.
- [HB 658](#) (Rep. Ingram) **Public Records Violations**, introduced 5.12.22. The bill requires an award of attorney's fees if a court of appeals finds in an appeal by a public office that the public office violated the Public Records Law.
- [HB 665](#) (Rep. Humphrey) **Murder & Manslaughter Offenses**, introduced 5.12.22. Under the bill, the prohibition against causing the death of another as a result of committing or attempting to commit an F1 or F2 offense of violence (a form of murder), and the prohibition against involuntary manslaughter, apply only to a person who is older than 18.
- [HB 674](#) (Rep. Ray) **Providing Alcohol to a Minor**, introduced 5.16.22. The bill increases the penalty for providing alcohol to a minor if it causes the death of another (from an F4 to an F4 with a mandatory prison term).
- The [Coalition to Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol](#) (CRMLA) announced it will not place its initiated statute on the 2022 ballot, per an agreement with the Secretary of State, the House Speaker and the Senate President. The petition will be re-transmitted 1.3.23, and the Legislature will have 4 months to consider it. If lawmakers don't act on it by 5.3.23, CRMLA will begin collecting signatures to place the measure on the November 2023 ballot.
- There are over 700,000 adult Ohioans that have not earned their high school diplomas or equivalency – and earning a GED can help in rehabilitation. The Ohio Departments of Education and Higher Education will host several in-person [regional events](#) during the week of 6.20.22, to promote no-cost or low-cost routes for adults to earn diplomas or the equivalent.

For a complete list of bills & the latest issue of *BillBoard*, please visit the [OJC website](#).



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