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First Friday – February 2021

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Objectives

1. Participants will receive information about Ohio's 134th GA
2. Participants will receive information about the upcoming budget process
3. Participants will learn about recent federal executive orders
4. Participants will get updates on VOCA, VAWA, and Title IX



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Advocacy Day!

April 20, 2021

Virtual

Budget Focus

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Brief Primer on Legislative Process

Bill gets introduced

Leadership refers to committee

Committee holds (at least one) hearing

Committee may vote to pass to floor

Full body votes during session

Process repeats in other chamber

Governor vetoes or signs



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Leadership Roles

Leadership:

- Senate President: Senator M Huffman
- Senate Minority Leader: Senator Yuko
- Speaker of the House: Rep. Cupp
- House Minority Leader: Rep. Sykes



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Standing Committees

Senate



Ohio Senate Committees



- Chair: Matt Huffman, District 12
- Vice Chair: Jay Hottinger, District 31
- Ranking Minority Member: Kenny Yuko, District 25



- Chair: Stephen A. Huffman, District 5
- Vice Chair: Niraj Antani, District 6
- Ranking Minority Member: Nickie J. Antonio, District 23



- Chair: Therea Gavarone, District 2
- Vice Chair: Sandra O'Brien, District 32
- Ranking Minority Member: Tina Maharath, District 3

Ohio Senate Committees



- Chair: Andrew O. Brenner, District 19
- Vice Chair: Louis W Blessing, III, District 8
- Ranking Minority Member: Teresa Fedor, District 11



- Chair: Terry Johnson, District 14
- Vice Chair: Jerry C. Cirino, District 18
- Ranking Minority Member: Sandra R. Williams, District 21



Ohio Senate Committees



Veterans and Public Safety

- Chair: Frank Hoagland, District 30
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House



Ohio House Committees



Insurance
Chair: Thomas E. Brinkman Jr., District 27
Vice Chair: Brian E. Lampton, District 73
Ranking Member: Jessica Miranda, District 28



Higher Education & Career Readiness
Chair: Laura Lanese, District 23
Vice Chair: Tom Young, District 42
Ranking Member: Catherine Ingram, District 32



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Ohio House Committees



Health

Chair: P. Scott Lipps, District 62
Vice Chair: Adam Holmes, District 97
Ranking Member: C. Allison Russo, District 24



Finance

Chair: Scott Oelslager, District 48
Vice Chair: Phil Plummer, District 40
Ranking Member: Erica C. Crawley, District 26

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Ohio House Committees



Criminal Justice Committee

Chair: Jeff LaRe, District 77
Vice Chair: D.J. Swearingen, District 89
Ranking Member: David Leland, District 22



Civil Justice

Chair: Brett Hudson Hillyer., District 98
Vice Chair: Diane V. Grendell, District 76
Ranking Member: Tavia Galonski, District 35

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Ohio House Committees



Primary and Secondary Education Committee

Chair: Gayle Manning, District 55
Vice Chair: Adam C. Bird, District 66
Ranking Member: Phillip M. Robinson, Jr., District 6



State and Local Government Committee

Chair: Scott Wiggam, District 1
Vice Chair: Marilyn S. John, District 2
Ranking Member: Brigid Kelly, District 31

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Ohio Budget Process

- AG's Budget – Fall
- Governor's Budget – January
 - \$4.8 Million for GFR 055501
- House Hearings & Vote
- Senate Hearings & Vote
- Conference Committee
- Vetoes/Gov. Signature



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Federal Law

- What has changed?
- What will very likely change?



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Executive Orders

What is an Executive Order?

According to the American Bar Association (ABA):

“An executive order is a signed, written, and published directive from the President of the United States that manages operations of the federal government.”

Ohio Alliance to End Sexual Violence

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- Article II: “shall take care that the laws are faithfully executed.”
- The First Executive order was a very brief directive to federal agency heads to ...



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Only one president never issued an executive order. Any guesses?



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Truman's Executive Order 10340 placed all of the country's steel mills under federal control. Youngstown Sheet & Tube Company sued, arguing that the EO attempted to make law, instead of clarify or further achievement of a law issued by Congress or the Constitution.



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Snapshot: A Flurry of Executive Actions



- As of Tuesday, February 2nd, President Biden has signed 28 executive orders.
- In addition to executive orders, Biden has signed:
 - 4 proclamations
 - 10 presidential memoranda
 - 2 letters (rejoining the World Health Organization and Paris climate agreement)



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- Directs OMB to present a study to the President within 6 months of the order to identify best practices, consistent with applicable law, to assist agencies in assessing equity with respect to race, ethnicity, religion, income, geography, gender identity, sexual orientation, and disability



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Impact on Survivors

- Immigration
 - Triple Trauma
 - Acknowledgement of SV prevalence in immigration settings – Remain in Mexico Program
- Some executive actions signal intentions for future legislative solutions to equity & immigration issues, among other issue areas
- Freezes/pauses are expected at this time for federal agencies
 - Survivors may experience pauses in different processes, like OCR investigation/mediation processes halting in the interim



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Questions about Executive Orders?



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- Oct. 1: FY starts with or w/out a budget



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Federal Appropriations

- After president's budget, NAESV & OAESV will work with lawmakers to communicate VOCA, RPE, SASP, LAV & other OVW grant needs



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Federal Appropriations

VOCA – Victims of Crime Act, non-tax funded, massive cuts

VAWA – Violence Against Women Act, tax funded, not subject to the same cuts, some grants received increases (RPE)



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VOCA

Bills and strategies for a fix are coming, after stalling (remember the fund is depleted, meaning a fix is necessary instead of regular appropriations)



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VAWA

You probably heard VAWA has not been reauthorized.....

History of VAWA – including its sponsor

How are we still getting grant funds if the law hasn't been reauthorized?



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Title IX?

- Biden's office was catalyst for 2011 DCL
- Schools are over worked and under funded and just spent months adjusting to new regulations
- Regulations take significant time to change, unlike guidance
- Hesitation about "boomerang" effect
- We are still living in a pandemic



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Erin's Law Call to Action

K-6: annual age-appropriate instruction in child sexual abuse prevention for grades

7-12: include age appropriate instruction in sexual violence prevention education

Dep't of Education must provide links to free curricula on sexual violence prevention to assist schools in developing their curricula.

Training on child sexual abuse into its required in-service training for employees.



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Erin's Law Call to Action

This statute pitch is heavily linked to OAESV's line item ask as funding for prevention would increase persons doing prevention in schools, making compliance more achievable.

Calls to Action will be updated next week on our website!



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Questions?

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