

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

HB 304 Smoke Alarms (Baldrige, B.)

To amend the law regarding smoke alarms in residential premises. [Text/Analysis](#)
Committee Hearing in House [Commerce & Labor](#) (1/26/2022; REPORTED)

HB 304 has been referred to the Senate Veterans and Public Safety Committee. OHBA has presented language to the sponsor, and contacted the Senate Chairman and Committee opposing provisions of HB 304 mandating changes to the Residential Building Code more appropriately handled by the Residential Construction Advisory Committee (RCAC).

Please feel free to contact OHBA with any questions or concerns.

HB 68 Contractor Payments (Cross, J., Sweeney, B.)

To require owners of private construction projects to timely pay a contractor.

[Text/Analysis](#)

Committee Hearing in Senate [Workforce & Higher Education](#) (2/9/2022; CONTINUED)

OHBA has been working with the sponsor and proponents on an amendment to exempt contracts under fifty thousand dollars from the new requirements. Residential construction is already exempt under the law.

HB 88 Roofing Contractors (Patton, T.)

To require commercial roofing contractors to have a license.

[Text/Analysis](#)

Passed in House (3/2/2022; 90-0)

HB 88 adds commercial roofing contractors to the licensing requirements under the Ohio Construction Industry Licensing Board. While residential is exempt, OHBA has heard some concerns with small cross-over jobs which would then would trigger the

licensing requirements. OHBA is discussing possible amendments to address the potential impact to residential contractors doing this type of roofing work.

HB 175 Water Pollution ([Hillyer, B.](#))

To deregulate certain ephemeral water features under various water pollution control laws.

[Text/Analysis](#)

Committee Hearing in Senate [Agriculture & Natural Resources](#) (11/30/2021; CONTINUED)

OHBA has been working with the sponsor, Senate Committee members and other parties, since the last hearing, to draft an amendment codifying reasonable mitigation requirements for regulated ephemeral stream impacts. The Senate is expected to have another hearing in the coming weeks and is eager to keep HB 175 moving.

SUMMER BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Mark your calendar for OHBA's Summer Board of Trustees Meeting – June 21st. The meeting will take place in Dublin at the Brick House Blue. We have a nationally known economist Dr. Ted Jones as a guest speaker. Detailed information will be emailed out in the near future.