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THE LEGISLATURE WRAPS UP; FOCUS ON AUGUST 2ND PRIMARY

After an action-packed week, both the House and Senate wrapped up their business before breaking, potentially until after the general election in November.

The 99 House members and half the Senate members will now turn their focus to the recently solidified August 2nd primary election. OHBA is currently reviewing the new districts, along with the filings for who is running for the seats up for grabs in August.

Please contact OHBA with any questions.

RENT CONTROL AMENDMENT LIKELY TO BE SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

Given recent events in the General Assembly and the difficulty in crafting and passing a measure that many would see as a serious challenge to local home rule powers, it was a remarkable effort that was accomplished in just over a month's time.

The amendment clarifies and expands upon current statute to expressly preempt rent control and rent stabilization measures across the state.

On Wednesday, June 1, the Senate put House Bill 430 up for a floor vote, where it passed 25-6 on party lines. The bill was then sent to the House, which voted to concur by a vote of 55-28. The bill now heads to the Governor for signature. Once he receives it, which may take a couple of days, he will have 10 days to (1) sign the bill; (2) allow the bill to become law without his signature; or (3) veto. We expect he will the sign the bill. Upon his signature, the bill will become effective in 90 days.

HOUSING TOPICS FOR CONTINUED DISCUSSION

As the legislature breaks for summer, OHBA will continue to have discussions on housing and prepare for the House and Senate's return. SB 329 Property Tax, sponsored by

Senator Schuring, would authorize certain subdivisions to designate areas within which certain residential property is wholly or partially exempted from property taxation. Senator Schuring has been very supportive of OHBA efforts, and plans to push for his bill, as well as, more in depth discussions on what can be done for housing. Additionally, OHBA will continue to engage both the legislature and executive branch on items suggested up by current OHBA President, Charles Ruma.

All of these topics and more will be discussed in greater detail at the upcoming OHBA Summer Board Meeting being held June 21st in Columbus.

SUMMER BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Now is the time to sign-up 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 has been emailed.