

**GREENE COUNTY**  
**BOARD OF HEALTH MEETING**

**June 4, 2026**  
**(26-06-04)**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. Call to Order, Virtual Attendee Announcement, and Guest Introduction•
2. Consent Agenda⚡
  - a. May 7, 2026, minutes
  - b. Greene County Public Health Monthly Activity Report
3. Presentation
  - a. Understanding the Role of Local Board of Health Members in Emergency Preparedness and Response ([12:05](#))
4. Finance Reports⚡
  - a. Income and Expenditure
  - b. Voucher Summary/Then and Now
  - c. Appropriation Transfers
5. Governance Reports
  - a. Governance Committee
  - b. Performance Evaluation Committee
  - c. Planning and Finance Committee
    - i. Retirement Payout for Jere Marks ⚡
6. New Business
  - a. Resolution of Appreciation for Jere Marks ⚡
7. Additional Business

Next Meeting: July 9, 2026  
Time: 6:30 p.m.  
Place: Greene County Public Health

- ⚡ Decision needed
- Information item
- Discussion item

# GREENE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

## MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

### May 29, 2026

#### 1. Foundational Capabilities

##### a. Administration

- i. [Summer Safety](#) - As we move into warmer months, real-time air quality is one resource communities can use before making outdoor plans, especially for people living with asthma, COPD, and heart disease. If the air quality index is above 100, it can be unhealthy for sensitive people. Above 150, air quality is considered unhealthy for everyone. Heat can also be monitored by checking [HeatRisk](#).
- ii. OneOhio Recovery Foundation and the Ohio Department of Commerce have announced a \$20 million statewide campaign to increase awareness of the health and safety risks associated with marijuana use.

##### b. Epidemiology

- i. As of 05/20/26, more than 600 suspected cases of Ebola, the Bundibugyo strain, and 139 suspected Ebola deaths have occurred in the Democratic Republic of Congo, with two suspected cases in Uganda. This strain of the virus is presumed to have a lower-case fatality rate, and the risk of the disease to the United States is considered low. Symptoms include nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea. The disease does not have a specific course of treatment, but supportive care is given through hydration, infection control, and employing public health measures to trace contacts of suspected cases. Ebola can spread person to person through contact with bodily fluids such as saliva, blood, semen, and diarrhea.
- ii. Hantavirus outbreak linked to cruise ship travel-a risk-based approach to identifying and monitoring cases is ongoing. A total of 11 cases (8 confirmed, 1 inconclusive, and 2 probable) were identified as of 05/11/26, with 3 deaths. The inconclusive case was from the United States. The health risk to the general population is low.

##### c. IT & Facilities

- i. During May, significant progress was made in strengthening the organization's cybersecurity governance, operational security posture, compliance readiness, facility operations, and clinical systems support. Efforts focused on advancing the cybersecurity program foundation, developing formal policy and standards documentation, improving Microsoft 365 security controls, supporting operational initiatives related to eClinicalWorks and WIC readiness, and continuing facilities improvements across the agency.



**2. Communicable Disease**  
*a. Counts*

<b>Reportable Conditions Greene County through Dec 2025</b>	<b>Dec</b>	<b>YTD</b>
Anaplasmosis-Anaplasma phagocytophilum		1
C. auris		2
C. auris - Colonization Screening		11
Campylobacteriosis		26
Chlamydia infection		298
Coccidioidomycosis		1
COVID-19		1,526
CPO		18
Cryptosporidiosis		7
Cyclosporiasis		1
E. coli, Shiga Toxin-Producing (O157:H7, Not O157, Unknown Serotype)		7
Giardiasis		9
Gonococcal infection		84
Haemophilus influenzae (invasive disease)		7
Hepatitis A		1
Hepatitis B (including delta) - acute		0
Hepatitis B (including delta) - chronic		23
Hepatitis C - chronic		76
Hepatitis C - Perinatal Infection		1
Hepatitis E		0
Immigrant Investigation		9
Influenza - ODH Lab Results		1
Influenza-associated hospitalization		281
Legionellosis		4
Lyme Disease		22
Malaria		1
Measles - indigenous to Ohio (call health department immediately)		0
Measles - indigenous/imported Status Not Determined (call health department immediately)		2
Meningitis - aseptic/viral		4
Meningitis - bacterial (Not N. meningitidis)		1
Pertussis		41
Salmonellosis		13
Shigellosis		1
Spotted Fever Rickettsiosis, including Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF)		0
Streptococcal - Group A -invasive		15
Streptococcus pneumoniae - invasive antibiotic resistance unknown or non-resistant		11
Streptococcus pneumoniae - invasive antibiotic resistant/intermediate		3
Syphilis - unknown duration or late		2
Tuberculosis		1
Varicella		2
Vibriosis (not cholera)		2
Yersiniosis		5
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,520</b>

*b. Emergency Preparedness*

*i. PHEP FY 26*

- a. Seventeen deliverables out of 19 are completed and paid for a total of \$112,095.
- b. One deliverable is ready to bill. One deliverable remains to be completed, and it is due in June.

**3. Environmental Health**

*a. Food Establishment/Food Service*

- i. The next ServSafe course will be taught on June 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. We still have plenty of open spots in this class for food operators.
- ii. The Food & Public Spaces team has put in a lot of work to update food plan review applications and packets, as well as an escalated enforcement plan. Their efforts to improve the process for operators are greatly appreciated.

*b. Mosquito*

- i. Preparations for the mosquito season are ongoing. The 2026 Mosquito Control Grant was awarded to Greene County for \$25,000. These funds will be used for a new piece of control equipment (an electric fogger) and to fund another intern for sampling.
- ii. The 2026 Mosquito Intern posting has been made, soliciting applicants to assist our sanitarians with trapping, counting, shipping, and tracking mosquito density and location.
- iii. Two mosquito sprayers were calibrated for free by the Clarke Co. at an event in greater Columbus last month. Annual calibration, while not required, is a good pest management practice and an excellent way to ensure safe, effective, efficient treatments.

*c. Sewage*

- i. The Water Pollution Control Loan Fund program continues with two systems undergoing construction and two more approved applications over the past month.

*d. Solid Waste*

- i. Preliminary steps have been taken for a transfer of ownership for the Xenia Demolition Landfill. To date, no official paperwork has been filed for the sale, but several meetings with Ohio EPA have been had to discuss a transition plan.

*e. Swimming Pools/Spas*

- i. License renewal is continuing for swimming pools/spas and RV parks. To date, 11 pools have yet to renew their license for 2026 and pay the 25% penalty fee. 1 campground has yet to renew their license for 2026 and pay the 25% penalty fee.



#### **4. Health Education**

- a. *Creating Health Communities (CHC)*
  - i. Applied for continuation funding on 05/04.
  - ii. C. Edwards attended the Creating Healthy Communities grantee meeting in Columbus on 05/12.
  - iii. K. Warren and J. Drew met with the Ohio State Extension Greene County to facilitate the next steps to expand local food pantries and conduct local food security assessments in the community.
  - iv. The Greene County Food Council met on 05/28 to advance priorities and initiatives regarding improvement of food access and security for Greene County residents.
- b. *Cribs for Kids*
  - i. Planning began for a crib giveaway scheduled for 06/16 in collaboration with Public Health Dayton and Montgomery County.
  - ii. Six car seats were placed with families this month, and 2 car seats are available.
  - iii. Six cribs were placed with families this month, and 23 cribs are available.
- c. *Harm Reduction*
  - i. 05/02 Mobile Unit HIV testing at Community Day hosted by Recovery Plus (C. Holley)
  - ii. 05/02 Yellow Springs Up roar Community Resource Fair (E. Gebhardt)
  - iii. 05/12 Monthly outreach at Share 1:1 Clothing Closet (E. Gebhardt and C. Holley)
  - iv. 05/13 Monthly outreach and testing at Bridges of Hope (H. Dawson and C. Holley)
  - v. 05/14 Greene County Drug Free Coalition Meeting (E. Gebhardt)
  - vi. 05/17 Blessing of the Bikes with OSHP (H. Dawson and C. Holley)
  - vii. 05/21 Monthly outreach at Xenia FISH (E. Gebhardt)
  - viii. 05/22 Hep C Cure Squad event (H. Dawson, E. Gebhardt, and C. Holley)
- d. *HIV*
  - i. Completed testing at Bridges of Hope on 05/13.
- e. *Safe Communities*
  - i. Members of the Greene County Safe Communities Coalition and law enforcement tabled at Blessing of the Bikes at Darana Raceway on 05/17 to distribute materials and increase awareness of motorcycle safety initiatives.
  - ii. K. Warren attended the Traffic Safety Summit hosted by the Ohio Traffic Safety Office on 05/19 and 05/20.
  - iii. The Greene County Safe Communities Coalition kicked off the Click it or Ticket Campaign with a press conference at the health department. Lt Weeks, the guest speaker with the Ohio State Highway Patrol Xenia Post, shared statistics highlighting traffic fatalities in 2025 involving unbelted drivers and passengers, reminding the public of the importance of buckling up as we enter the busiest travel time of the year.

*f. Tobacco*

- i. H. Dawson completed vape education at Xenia High School on 05/11.
- ii. Advocacy Through Art Youth Group had its final Color Walk planning meeting
- iii. H. Dawson participated in a wellness event at Antioch University on 05/28.
- iv. Color Walk was held on 5/30. Over 100 people registered, we are still waiting for the final attendance count.

**5. Maternal Child Health**

*a. Complex Medical Help (CMH)*

- i. At this time, the processing times for ODH are approximately 4-6 months. The Public Health Nurses (PHNs) continue to assist families with paying for their children's medical care and obtaining reimbursement once the Community Mental Health (CMH) makes its payments. ODH has reported that they are allocating additional staff time to ensure documents are scanned in efficiently. The PHNs are becoming increasingly confident in using the ECW system.

*b. Early Intervention (EI)*

- i. The SFY27 Early Intervention Application has been submitted. The DCY EI state team is proposing that a credentialed service coordinator be classified as "Qualified Personnel." This would allow them to administer developmental evaluations or assessments alongside another discipline. This proposal was approved on 05/19/26, in response to the challenges faced by several programs in Ohio, which have been struggling to find enough personnel to conduct evaluations and assessments. It is important to note that this is not a requirement for the program but rather an option for local programs. P. Hamer will collaborate with Four Oaks, M. Howell, and J. Barga to determine if and how this opportunity should be utilized for SFY27.
- ii. EI is continuing to work with J. Drew and J. Moon on the QI collaboration project with Four Oaks. The goal of this project is to move towards weighted caseloads and a more equitable way of managing the fluctuation of cases. The program continues to encounter increasingly complex and challenging cases. These involve child services, safety concerns, and parents with mental health or cognitive challenges. Additionally, there is a rise in families who are dually enrolled in both Home Visiting and Early Intervention services.

*c. Healthy Families America (HFA)*

- i. Average caseloads for HFA are unchanged this month at 16.5, which is approximately 90% capacity. WIC does a great job with referrals that go to Central Intake as system referrals – we do not get them all back at the local level and are tracking this. Members of all the early childhood teams are promoting the programs with outreach by presence in the WIC clinic, promoting the programs with current families etc.

- d. Health Fairs, Festivals, and Outreach
  - i. 05/06/26 Family Connects Labeling at WIC (D. Jenkins)
  - ii. 05/16/26 Growing up Greene presented by GCPL at Be Hope Church (S. Sanders)
  - iii. 05/20/26 Help Me Grow Labeling at Bellbrook Library (E. Stafford)

## 6. Public Information

### a. Media Interactions

- i. 05/11/26 - WHIO-TV 7, Malik Patterson; requesting interview regarding Hantavirus and the upcoming travel season. Referred to PHDMC or Clark County for their international travel clinics.
- ii. 05/18/26 - Dayton 24/7 Now, Zeakia Jordan; Interview with L. Fox regarding healthy and safe swimming week via Zoom.
- iii. 05/18/26 - WDTN TV 2 Living Dayton; Teens Against Tobacco & C. Edwards on Living Dayton for the Color Walk promotion.
- iv. 05/21/26 – WDTN TV 2; coverage of Click It or Ticket press conference.

### b. Podcast: Public Health Matters

- i. New episodes are released on the first and third Wednesdays of each month.
  - a. [Public Health Matters: Podcast](#)
- ii. Two new episodes were recorded this month, Hearts ‘N Parks with Greene County Parks and Trails, and National HIV Testing Day with H. Dawson.

### c. Press Releases and Recognition

- i. Five press releases and one editorial issued and distributed.

### d. Social Media

- i. Total social media posts: 353 posts
- ii. Total social media followers (all platforms): 10,051 ▲
- iii. New followers (all platforms): 42
- iv. Total social media post impressions (all platforms): 45,991
- v. Special posts:
  - Mental Health Awareness Month
  - Mother’s Day
  - Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month
  - Color Walk Promotion
  - Bike to School/Work
  - National Nurses Week
  - Healthy & Safe Swimming Week
  - National Bike Month
  - Dayton Hamvention
  - National Police Work
  - Smile Month (Dental/Oral Hygiene Care)
  - Healthy History in Ohio every Friday (for America 250)
  - Lyme Disease Awareness Month
  - Women’s Health Month

- Local Graduates

## 7. **Approved External Meetings and Presentations**

- a. 05/04/26 Family & Children First Council Meeting (J. Barga P. Stimson)
- b. 05/04/26 State WIC and Local Update Meeting (K. McCord)
- c. 05/05/26 YMCA Health Fair Planning Meeting (J. Drew, C. Edwards, and S. Wynn)
- d. 05/05/26 Xenia Rotary (L. Fox)
- e. 05/05/26- Shontz conducted a vector presentation for county engineering staff
- f. 05/06/26 ODH Together We Can call (S. Wynn)
- g. 05/06/26 Greene County Safety Council (K. Caudill)
- h. 05/06/26 Mumbai Meeting (K. Caudill)
- i. 05/07/2026 OPHA Epi Section Meeting (M. Bozarth-McDaniel)
- j. 05/07/26 WIC Baby Shower Site Visit Planning Meeting (K. McCord)
- k. 05/07/26 Kettering Health Prayer Breakfast (J. Drew, J. Moon, and S. Wynn)
- l. 05/07/26 HIV/AIDS Prevention Committee Meeting (C. Edwards, H. Dawson)
- m. 05/07/2026 FCO All Hands update and Collaboration (S. Sanders)
- n. 05/11/26 Healthcare Preparedness Steering Committee & Committee Meeting (K. Caudill)
- o. 05/11/26 Ad HOC CDC Hantavirus All STLT Update Call (S. Wynn)
- p. 05/11/26 Metopio CHIP Overview (J. Drew, J. Moon, and S. Wynn)
- q. 05/11/26 State Children & Youth Advisory Council (CYAC) Subcommittee on Early Identification & Home Visiting State Meeting (P. Stimson)
- r. 05/12/26 Attended the Creating Healthy Communities grantee meeting in Columbus (C. Edwards)
- s. 05/12/26 Xenia Rotary (L. Fox)
- t. 05/12/26 HFA Case Conference Meeting (S. Sanders)
- u. 05/12/26 NFP Case Conference Meeting (S. Sanders)
- v. 05/13/26 Fairborn Chamber Connects Meeting (L. Fox)
- w. 05/14/26 Panel Prep Virtual Meeting with Danita Roberts (HFA) (J. Barga and N. Kessinger)
- x. 05/15/26 EI Admin Meeting with Four Oaks (P. Stimson)
- y. 05/15/26 SW Ohio Director of Nurses Meeting (J. Barga)
- z. 05/18/26 CDC All STLT Update Call (S. Wynn)
- aa. 05/18/26 Health & Justice Meeting (K. Caudill)
- bb. 05/18/26 State WIC and Local Update Meeting (K. McCord)
- cc. 05/19/26 Xenia Rotary Meeting (L. Fox & K. McCord)
- dd. 05/19/26-05/20/26 Level I FAN Training (S. Sanders)
- ee. 05/20/26 ODH Call (K. Caudill)
- ff. 05/20/26 Together We Can call
- gg. 05/21/26 GC Emergency Preparedness Committee (K. Caudill)
- hh. 05/21/26 IBCLC WIC Support Group (K. McCord)
- ii. 05/21/26 EI ESC Contract Meeting (P. Stimson)
- jj. 05/26/26 Xenia Rotary Meeting (L. Fox)



- kk. 05/26/26 WCO EPC/MRC Meeting (K. Caudill)
- ll. 05/27/2026 SWO Coalition Meeting
- mm. 05/28/26 DCY COP Call (N. Kessinger)
- nn. 05/28/2026 CDC/DGMH Meeting for Boarding Ban on Suspect Active TB (M. Bozarth-McDaniel)
- oo. 05/28/2026 Weekly Epi Discussion Series (M. Bozarth-McDaniel)
- pp. 05/28/26 HIV New Paperwork Training Meeting (H. Dawson and C. Edwards)

## 8. **Approved Workforce Development Training and Conferences (All)**

- a. 05/01/26-05/31/26 EISC Supervisor Credential Training (N. Kessinger)
- b. 05/05/26 Passes 24/7 ODH Drill (K. Caudill)
- c. 05/06/26 DCY EI Family Survey Webinar (P. Stimson)
- d. 05/08/26 EU Teaming and Collaboration Training (J. Barga)
- e. 05/12/26-05/13/26 FCO Nursing Fundamentals (S. Sanders)
- f. 05/12/2026 Infection Control –(M. Bozarth-McDaniel)
- g. 05/13/26 Staff Safety Training with Fairborn Police De(All EI & HFA Staff, and Public Health Nurses)
- h. 05/13/26 HFA Home Visitor Credential Renewal (M. Howell)
- i. 05/14/2026 Weekly Epi Discussion Series (M. Bozarth-McDaniel)
- j. 05/14/26 Census Data Webinar (K. Caudill)
- k. 05/16/26 Ohio AAP Safe Sleep Champion Network Webinar, Addressing Unsafe Sleep Practices Through Fatality (M. Brestelli)
- l. 05/18/26 DCY EI Update Webinar (P. Stimson)
- m. 05/18/26 C. Auris Workgroup (M. Bozarth-McDaniel)

## 9. **Legislative Updates**

- a. [HB 28](#) (Mathews, Hall) Eliminate the authority to levy replacement property tax levies. The bill mandates all ballot questions related to tax levies in excess of the ten-mill limitation be presented clearly with specific formatting and removes the option to renew or replace taxes for current operating expenses or permanent improvements. Legislation is co-sponsored by Representative Dean and Representative Brian Lampton. It has been referred to Senate Ways and Means Committee.
- b. [HB 126](#) (Mathews A., Craig) Prohibit certain public nuisance actions. Legislation is in regard to marketing and distribution of opioids and lawsuits filed against pharmaceutical companies. Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
- c. [HB 137](#) (Lorenz) Permit tax authority to decline submitting certain levy to voters. Health districts and libraries have levies approved by the County Commissioners as taxing authorities and this legislation changes the language from “shall” to “may” place a levy on the ballot. Since health districts receive no funding from County Commissioners, the Commissioners could hear the request and decline to place a health district or library levy on the ballot. In Greene County our requests are

approved by representatives appointed to the Board of Health by elected officials from cities, villages and townships and the Budget Commission. The budget is also approved by the District Advisory Council and Fiscal Committee and full Board of Health. In House Local Government committee with no co-sponsors. Opposition testimony was provided by AOHC. Proponent testimony was provided by CCAO.

- d. [HB 160](#) Liquor and Cannabis (Stewart, B.) To revise specified provisions of the liquor control, hemp, and adult-use marijuana laws and to levy taxes on marijuana. The bill is in the House Judiciary Committee.
- e. [HB 162](#) Medical Records (Click, G) Relates to medical records of minors and to name the act the My Child-My Chart Act. Representative Dean is a co-sponsor. The bill is in the Senate Health Committee. The amended version allows parents to be informed of healthcare provided to a minor within existing privacy protections. Notice is not required of providers who give care on an episodic basis, in an emergency room or urgent care center. The bill is in the Senate Health Committee.
- f. [HB 182](#) Public Water Systems (Dean, L) To prohibit a public water system from adding fluoride to its water. The house Natural resources committee had proponent testimony on 03/4/26.
- g. [HB 198](#) Hemp (Fischer, T) To regulate the manufacture, distribution, and sale of inhalable and ingestible hemp products. Representative Dean is a co-sponsor of the bill as it is in the House Judiciary Committee.
- h. [HB 215](#) Property Tax Levies (Jarrells, D, Stephens, J) The bill is in the house ways and means committee and prohibits most property tax levies submitted at a general election from taking effect in the current year. The bill is in the House Ways and Means Committee.
- i. [HB272](#) (Pizzuli, Blasdel) To prohibit use of certain food dyes and additives, and intentionally added PFAS, revise laws governing fluoride.
- j. [HB358](#) (Brewer, Fischer) Require distribution of information on firearm storage. In House Public Safety Committee.
- k. [HB364](#) Requires food service operations note certain food allergies on the menu. In House Agriculture committee. The bill would need to be per food item.
- l. [HB365](#) (Brennen) enacts a property tax refund is in the House Ways and Means Committee.
- m. [HB370](#) (Dean, Newman) Enact the Ohio Prenatal Equal Protection Act which aims to provide legal protections for the unborn which some believe would eliminate all abortion and access to in vitro fertilization. The bill is in the House Judiciary Committee.
- n. [HB380](#) (McNally, Fischer) Designate Migraine and Headache Awareness Month. The bill is in Health and Human Services: Public Health, Special Designations Committee.
- o. [HB390](#) (Schmidt) Would prohibit health plan insurers from requiring or inducing providers to collect copayments and other cost sharing amounts. The bill is in the House Insurance Committee.

- p. [HB401](#) (Rader, Baker) Designate Myositis Awareness Month. Myositis makes your immune system attack your muscles. The bill is in the Health and Human Services: Public Health, Special Designation Committee in the House.
- q. [HB406](#) (Deeter, Dean) Enact the farm to consumer access to raw milk act. All milk contains lactose. No indigenous lactase exists in bovine raw milk. The bill is in the House Agriculture Committee.
- r. [HB413](#) (Young, Peterson) Regards Ohio State, Local Government expenditure database. The bill is in the House Technology and Innovation Committee.
- s. [HB420](#) (Click, Willis) Eliminates continuing levies. The bill is in the House Ways and Means Committee.
- t. [HB421](#) (Click, Thomas) Taxpayers can vote to reduce inside millage. The bill is in the House Ways and Means Committee.
- u. [HB 422](#) (Click, Newman) Triumph of the taxpayer. Changes the percentages by which levies must pass in excess of 1 mill. 420, 421 and 422 were put forward to address increased property valuations. The bill is in the House Ways and Means Committee.
- v. [HB 424](#) (Willis, Craig) Regards the transfer and purchase of certain retirement service credit. The bill is in the House Public Insurance and Pensions Committee.
- w. [HB425](#) (Hoops) Prohibits trespass and unauthorized recording by drones without proper authority or notice. The bill is in the House Transportation Committee.
- x. [HB429](#) (Hoops) Ban healthcare reimbursement reduction from third-party payers. The bill is in the House Insurance Committee.
- y. [HB435](#) Enact the right to Know Act (Williams, Miller) If a birth occurs en route to a facility the institution will offer genetic testing at no cost on the child and father to confirm paternity before signing the acknowledgement of paternity affidavit. The paternity test can be billed to insurance. The bill is in the House Judiciary Committee.
- z. [HB438](#) (Radar, Brownlee) Enact the Family Act for fair access to medical insurance for local youth and families. Key provisions remove pre-existing conditions and waiting period rules, defines essential health services and prohibits lifetime maximums on basic health services.
  - aa. [HB466](#) (Lear, Ritter) Requires certain approval before subdivision levies a property tax. The bill is in the House Local Government Committee who held sponsor testimony.
  - bb. [HB472](#) (Salvo, Cockley) is a bill introduced to waive ID, birth certificate fees for homeless individuals. Health districts may experience a loss of funding and be required to enumerate the number of birth certificates issued to persons experiencing homelessness annually. The bill is in the Senate General Government Committee.
  - cc. [HB499](#) (Barhorst, King) Regards levies and restrictions to reducing levies. In the House Ways and Means Committee.
  - dd. [HB502](#) (Humphrey) Appropriate funds for SNAP, TANF, and WIC upon lapse in federal funds. The bill is in the House Agriculture Committee.

- ee. [HB508](#) (Gross, Baker) Enact the better access to healthcare act. The bill is in the House Medicaid Committee.
- ff. [HB520](#) (Matthews, Thomas) proposes a Blue Ribbon Committee for efficiency in county services. The bill is in the House local government committee. Health districts are not currently listed as members of a local committee.
- gg. [HB549](#) (Lorenz) is a bill to regulate cigar bars, create cigar sales and use tax exemption. Cigars smoked on premise of a cigar bar would be exempt from sales and use tax. The bill is in the House Ways and Means Committee.
- hh. [HB561](#) (Miller, Robb) revises childhood immunization laws and exemptions. Creates additional unfunded requirements for schools. Only 4 proponents of the bill testified at the second hearing including the Ohio Medical Freedom group (a new term for vaccine opposed or vaccine hesitant). AOHC signed on to a coalition letter of opposition.
- ii. [HB578](#) requires tick-related diseases to be reported to the department of health. Adds alpha-gal which is a sugar molecule found in most mammals but not humans ,causing a delayed allergic reaction when transferred to humans via bites (generally the Lone Star tick) or reaction to consuming lamb, beef and pork. The bill is assigned to the Senate Health Committee..
- jj. [HB587](#) (Odiso, Lorenz)Regards sales of kratom products. It is in the House Agriculture committee. The age in this bill is different than that in Tobacco 21 and for consistency should probably be the age being considered.
- kk. [HB640](#) (Pizzulli) Revises the sewage laws and the additional HB692
- ll. [HB676](#) (Thomas, Creech) Regards wolfdog hybrids and abatement of certain animal nuisancesHB815 (Russo, Rader) Water Quality requires the Director of Environmental Protection to adopt rules establishing maximum contaminant levels in drinking water and water quality standards for certain contaminants.
- mm. [HB692](#) Revise household sewage laws had proponent testimony on 5/13/26. The bill is in the House Health Committee.
- nn. [HB739](#) (Young) Requires the Ohio Department of Health to assess it warehousing operations. The bill is in the house Health Committee.
- oo. [HB820](#) (Deeter) Radon testing in schools and creates home radon mitigation income and commercial activity tax credits. The bill is in the House Health Committee.
- pp. [HB836](#) Requires physicians to sign a death certificate electronically (Somani, White).
- qq. [HB841](#) Enacts the Healthy Homes Program Act (Miller, Salvo) to address mold, radon, lead and carbon monoxide.
- rr. [HB849](#) (Plummer, Salvo) Regulation, registration, licensure, inspection and enforcement of electronic smoking, tobacco, nicotine and vapor products within public safety.
- ss. [HB885](#) (Brennen, Humphrey)Enact Family Home Visits Act to establish a universal home visiting program for parents and caregivers of children.

- tt. [HB900](#) (Brewer) Creates an Office of Violence Prevention in the Department of Health funded by unclaimed funds.
- uu. HB939 (White, Odisoo) Require all Boards of Developmental Disabilities to provide Early Intervention Services including Occupational therapy, physical therapy, special instruction, speech-language pathology services paid by the Boards.
- vv. [SB 69](#) (Romanchuk) Intends to reform the state's public retirement system law. In Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee.
- ww. [SB 78](#) (Hicks-Hudson, DeMora) Establish and operate the Ohio Health Care Plan – universal health care. The bill is in the Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee.
- xx. [SB 86](#) (Huffman, Wilkin) Regulate and tax intoxicating hemp, drinkable cannabinoid product. Senator Koehler is a co-sponsor, and the bill is in the House General Government Committee.
- yy. [SB158](#) (Timken) To generally prohibit student cellular phone use in public schools. The bill passed the senate and is in the House Education Committee.
- zz. [SB 161](#) SNAP (Schaffer Johnson) To require the Director of Job and Family Services to seek permission to exclude certain items from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. This bill would require the Director to seek a waiver to exclude “junk food” from SNAP benefits. A similar provision was included in the budget to require JFS to seek a waiver to exclude sugar-sweetened beverages. The bill is in the Senate Health committee.
- aaa. [SB 166](#) Health Insurers (Manning) prohibit fees for electronic claims submission by health insurer and the Medicaid program. The bill is in the Senate Medicaid Committee.
- bbb. SB190 (Blessing, Smith) To modify the law governing property, income, sales and use, severance, and lodging tax; to provide breakfast and lunch at no cost to public and charter schools. The bill is in the Senate Finance Committee.
- ccc. [SB 198](#) (Koehler) Ensures Community Health Centers can continue to purchase medications at a discounted price through the 340B Drug pricing program. The bill is in the Senate Finance Committee.
- ddd. [SB 201](#) (Schaffer) revises milk inspection fees and is in the Senate finance and appropriations committee.
- eee. [SB 203](#) (Schaffer) Requires political subdivisions to adopt a cyber security plan. The bill is in the Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee.
- fff. [SB209](#) (Curtona) Off label drug use known as the Jeff, Dave and Angie Patient Right to Try Act in the Senate Health and Human Services Health Care Committee.
- ggg. [SB220](#) (Manchester) establishes community paramedicine programs and to require insurance plans cover the services. The bill is in the Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee.

- hhh. [SB227](#) (Craig) Caps cost sharing for prescription insulin drugs. Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee.
- iii. [SB 230](#) (Romanchuk) Allows pharmacists to screen, test and treat for certain health conditions like flu, covid and rsv. The bill is in the Seante Health Committee and has had a first hearing.
- jjj. [SB 233](#) (Hicks-Hudson) Creates the Ohio local and organic food and farm task force The bill is in the Senate Agriculture Committee.
- kkk. [SB246](#) (Smith) Prohibit terminating electric, gas services to certain households and establish a payment plan for the services. Certain medical professions including the Physician appointed by a Board of Health can submit documentation for qualifying medical conditions. The bill is in the Senate Public Utilities Committee.
- lll. [SB258](#) (Lang and Romanchuk) modify law governing advanced practice nursing to provide better access to healthcare. The bill is in the Senate Health Committee.
- mmm. [SB288](#) (DeMora) Regards the sale and testing of intoxicating hemp products. The bill is in the Senate Health Committee.
- nnn. [SB299](#) (Blessing) Regarding sale of kratom products. The bill is in the Senate General Government Committee.
- ooo. [SB305](#) (Hicks-Hudson) Appropriate funds for SNAP, WIC and TANF upon lapse of federal funds. The bill is in the Senate Finance Committee
- ppp. [SB323](#) (Blessing) Allows for the natural organic reduction of remains. The human body is able to be converted to soil over a 4-6 week period. The bill is in the Senate Local Government Committee.
- qqq. [SB352](#) (Weinstein, Timken) Regards behavioral health screenings in the perinatal period. The bill is in the Senate Finance Committee.