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This Week at the Statehouse

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Around the Square

Get to Know Darrell Kick: State Representative

Darrell Kick is currently serving his first term as Ohio's 70th District State Representative. Kick owns investment properties through Mohican Rentals LLC and West Side Realty Management LLC in the Ashland County area, but also stems from a long line of farmers and is active on his family farm. Prior to his election, Kick served several years on the Holmes County Farm Bureau where he served as president for four years. Additionally, he was a member of the policy committee and a county delegate. Kick is actively involved in his community as a member of the Ashland Calvary Baptist Church and a softball and basketball coach.

Get to Know Larry Householder: State Representative

Former Speaker Larry Householder is serving his first term as Representative in Ohio's 72nd District after serving from 1996 to 2004. During his time in office, Householder served as Speaker of the House before being term limited. Originally from Glenford, Householder worked as a farmer before attending Ohio University to receive his degree in Political Science. During his time away from the Legislature, Householder served as Perry County Commissioner and continued to work at home on his family farm.

House Introduces Budget Bill

The Ohio House has introduced House Bill 49, the biennial operating budget this week. The full text of the language can be found here: <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-49>. House Finance has heard testimony regarding the Transportation budget, Education, Medicaid, and Taxation and will continue to hold hearings this week.

Political News and Notes

Oil and Gas Property Tax Revenue to Increase in Upcoming Decade

According to a recent study, Ohio oil and gas wells have contributed over \$43 million to six counties in property tax revenue over the past five years and is expected to increase in the next decade. Affected counties include Belmont, Carroll, Guernsey, Harrison, Monroe, and Noble. The report predicts the ad valorem tax collections may reach \$200-250 million in revenue for these counties over the decade. Full report: <https://energyindepth.org/ohio/report-ohio-counties-have-received-over-43-million-in-real-estate-property-taxes-from-utica-shale-production/>

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