



# Ohio Prosecuting Attorneys Association

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## Passed by House

[House Bill 368](#) (Computer Crimes) sponsored by Rep. Baldrige passed the House 93 – 1 on May 13. The bill updates and modernizes Ohio computer crimes laws.

[House Bill 421](#) (Immunity – Hospital Police) sponsored by Reps. Smith and Blair passed the House 94 – 0 on May 13. The bill provides immunity from civil and criminal liability to a municipal corporation or county for actions taken by certain hospital police in the discharge of their duties. The bill was amended before being passed to modify the definition of emergency call and make other modifications to political subdivision sovereign immunity law.

## Reported Out of Committee

[House Bill 208](#) (Assault – Sports Officials) sponsored by Reps. Roemer and Miller was reported out of the House Criminal Justice Committee on May 13. The bill increases penalties for assault on a sports official in certain circumstances and provides for mandatory fines in other circumstances.

## Amended

[House Bill 3](#) (Domestic Violence) sponsored by Reps. Boyd and Carruthers was amended to change the name of the Domestic Violence Drop Policy study committee created by the bill to “the Domestic Violence Prosecution Study Committee” and to make changes regarding results of lethality assessments.

[Senate Bill 10](#) (Theft in Office) – sponsored by Sen. Wilson was amended by the House Criminal Justice Committee to increase the waiting period to apply to seal records for soliciting improper compensation, to allow the auditor of state or a prosecutor to maintain records of an individual disqualified from holding public office, to make changes to the issuance of warrants for payment county obligations pursuant to court order, and to add to the list of debts subject to tax refund garnishment.

[House Bill 431](#) (Sexual Exploitation Database) sponsored by Reps. Abrams and Carfagna was amended to narrow the scope of offenses subject to entry in the database and make other changes regarding maintenance of the database.

For a complete list of bills that the OPAA is tracking and OPAA positions on legislation, please visit [www.ohiopa.org](http://www.ohiopa.org).