

A LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM STATE REP. MICHELE GRIM



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Michele Grim is a strong voice for Lucas County, representing the 43rd District in the Ohio House of Representatives.

Season's Greetings

The holiday season is a time to acknowledge our shared journey of resilience and strength. May the warmth of this season fill your homes, and may love surround you and your loved ones!

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Rep. Michele Grim and colleagues attended Governor DeWine's holiday reception

TOLEDO IS ON THE MOVE

EV battery plant coming to Toledo

Mobis North America recently announced the establishment of a new electric vehicle battery manufacturing plant at the former NorthTowne Square Mall site in Toledo with a \$13.8 million investment. The plant will create 185 new manufacturing jobs and production is set to begin in August 2024.

"This investment is the latest step in Toledo's journey to becoming a leader in electric vehicle manufacturing," said Rep. Michele Grim. "Ohio must assert our leadership in this growing industry by adopting policies that support the expansion of EV manufacturing and workforce training."

Ohio House votes to designate Keith G. Earley Memorial Interchange honoring long-time County Engineer



On November 29th, the House passed H.B. 54, which renames the Dorr Street Interchange the "Keith G. Earley Memorial Interchange" in honor of the late Lucas County Engineer. Earley, who passed away in late 2021, championed the creation of the interchange.

Rep. Michele Grim, the bill's sponsor, was pleased to be joined in the Statehouse for the vote by Keith's family including his wife Ruby, and by Lucas County Engineer Mike Pniewski.

Rep. Grim backs Amtrak expansion to connect Cleveland-Toledo-Detroit

The Federal Rail Administration announced this month that \$500,000 will be awarded to Ohio for the study of Amtrak passenger rail expansion, including a new proposed route that would connect Toledo with Cleveland and Detroit, with an extension to the Detroit Metro Airport.

Rep. Michele Grim helped to secure these new resources by passing a bipartisan transportation budget authorizing the Ohio Rail Development Commission to explore expanded passenger rail service. A leading advocate for passenger rail in Ohio, Grim is a member of the rail commission, Ranking Member on the House Transportation Committee, and serves on the Finance Transportation Subcommittee.

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- Issuing Ohio House of Representatives commendations, condolences, and congratulatory letters
- Hearing opinions or concerns with bills moving through the legislature
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We look forward to hearing from you!