

**OHIO**

**House**

**of**

**Representatives**

**JOURNAL**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2011

## SECOND DAY

Hall of the House of Representatives, Columbus, Ohio  
**Thursday, January 6, 2011, 9:00 o'clock a.m.**

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to House Rule No. 23, the Clerk called the House to order.

Representative Grossman was selected to preside under the Rule.

The journal of the previous legislative day was read and approved.

**MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

Representative Duffey moved that the majority and minority party members asking leave to be absent or absent the week of Monday, January 3, 2011, be excused, so long as a written request is on file in the majority and minority leadership offices.

The motion was agreed to.

## Message from the Speaker

To whom it may concern:

I am submitting this letter to inform you of my resignation as State Representative. I will be resigning my position effective January 10, 2011. I am resigning my position to fill a request from Governor-elect Kasich to serve as the Director of Agriculture. I was nominated for the position in November and I will be accepting the appointment.

If you have any questions regarding my resignation please call my office.

Sincerely,

/s/ JIM ZEHRINGER

Jim Zehringer  
State Representative  
77th House District.

## Message from the Speaker

January 6, 2011

The Honorable Jim Zehringer  
77th District  
Ohio House of Representatives  
77 South High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-6111

Dear Representative Zehringer:

This is to acknowledge receipt and acceptance of your letter of resignation, effective January 10, 2011.

You have served your constituents and the state of Ohio well over the years and I am confident you will continue to do so as the Director of the Department of Agriculture.

Sincerely,

/s/ WILLIAM G. BATCHELDER  
William G. Batchelder  
Speaker  
Ohio House of Representatives

Message from the Speaker

January 5, 2011

Dear Speaker Batchelder,

Please accept this as a formal notice of my resignation from the Ohio House of Representatives 37th District effective at midnight on January 10, 2011. It has been a pleasure serving in the House and I look forward to continuing my service to the State of Ohio.

My only regret is not having the opportunity to serve under you as Speaker; I have full confidence that you will serve the office well.

Sincerely,

/s/ PEGGY LEHNER  
Peggy Lehner

Message from the Speaker

January 6, 2011

The Honorable Peggy Lehner  
37h District  
Ohio House of Representatives  
77 South High Street  
Columbus, Ohio 43215-6111

Dear Representative Lehner:

This is to acknowledge receipt and acceptance of your letter of resignation, effective January 10, 2011.

You have served your constituents and the state of Ohio well over the years and I am confident you will continue to do so as a member of the Ohio Senate.

Sincerely,

/s/ WILLIAM G. BATCHELDER

William G. Batchelder

Speaker

Ohio House of Representatives

Message from the Speaker

Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 1, the Speaker hereby appoints the following members to a committee to wait upon the Governor:

Representatives Blessing, Huffman, Sears, J. Adams, Grossman, Szollosi, Heard, and Phillips.

Message from the Speaker

Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, the Speaker hereby appoints the following members as an official committee to attend the inauguration of the Governor of the State of Ohio:

Speaker Batchelder, Representatives Blessing, Huffman, Sears, Budish, Szollosi, and Heard.

Pursuant to the motion of Representative Blessing the following oaths of office were entered upon the journal:

State of Ohio

County of Summit

I, Vernon Sykes, do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and faithfully to discharge and perform all duties incumbent upon me as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, according to the best of my ability and understanding; and this I do as I shall answer unto God.

/s/ VERNON SYKES

Vernon Sykes

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of December, 2010.

/s/ KEVIN G. RUSHING

Kevin G. Rushing, Reverend

State of Ohio

County of Cuyahoga

I, Barbara Boyd, do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and faithfully to

discharge and perform all duties incumbent upon me as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, according to the best of my ability and understanding; and this I do as I shall answer unto God.

/s/ BARBARA BOYD

Barbara Boyd

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of December, 2010.

/s/ SHIRLEY STRICKLAND SAFFOLD

Shirley Strickland Saffold, Judge

State of Ohio  
County of Stark

I, Kirk Schuring, do solemnly swear to support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and faithfully to discharge and perform all duties incumbent upon me as a member of the Ohio House of Representatives, according to the best of my ability and understanding; and this I do as I shall answer unto God.

/s/ KIRK SCHURING

Kirk Schuring

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of January, 2011.

/s/ W. DON READER

W. Don Reader, Judge

On motion of Representative Duffey, the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

Attest:

LAURA P. CLEMENS,  
Clerk.