

Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission Holds Monthly Meetings

The Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission will be holding a full Commission meeting and meetings of select committees on Thursday, October 8, 2015. All meetings will be held at the Ohio Statehouse.

The **Education, Public Institutions, and Local Government Committee** will meet at 9:30 a.m. in Room 017. The committee will receive second presentations on Article VI, Section 1 (Funds for Religious and Educational Purposes) and Article VI, Section 2 (School Funds). The committee will also receive a first presentation on Article VI, Section 3 (Public School System, Boards of Education). William Phillis, executive director of the Ohio Coalition for Equity and Adequacy of School Funding, will give a presentation entitled, "Evolution of the State Board of Education."

The **Finance, Taxation, and Economic Development Committee** will meet at 11:00 a.m. in Room 018. Director Tim Keen of the Ohio Office of Budget and Management will give remarks regarding Article VIII (Public Debts and Public Works). The committee will also continue its discussion on Article VIII.

The **Coordinating Committee** will meet at 12:30 p.m. in Room 018. The committee will be reviewing two reports and recommendations on Article VI, Section 1 (Funds for Religious and Educational Purposes) and Article VI, Section 2 (School Funds) pending approval by the Education, Public Institutions, and Local Government Committee earlier in the day.

The **Legislative Branch and Executive Branch Committee** will meet at 12:30 p.m. in Room 017. The committee will receive a presentation from Senator Frank LaRose (Senate District 27) and Senator Tom Sawyer (Senate District 28) on Senate Joint Resolution 2 regarding Congressional redistricting.

The **full Commission** will meet at 1:30 p.m. in Room 313. The full Commission will hear second presentation from the Bill of Rights and Voting Committee on reports and recommendations regarding Article I, Section 13 (Quartering of Troops) and Article I, Section 17 (No Hereditary Privileges). The Bill of Rights and Voting Committee has recommended no change be made to either provision and that they be retained in their current form.

About the Ohio Constitutional Modernization Commission

The OCMC was created in 2011 by the Ohio General Assembly in House Bill 188 of the 129th General Assembly. It is modeled after the Ohio Constitutional Revision Commission which completed its work in the 1970's.