

OLC

OHIO LIBRARY
COUNCIL

State Budget Update

HB 33 & HB 1

(March 31, 2023)

OLC

OHIO LIBRARY
COUNCIL

Michelle Francis
Executive Director

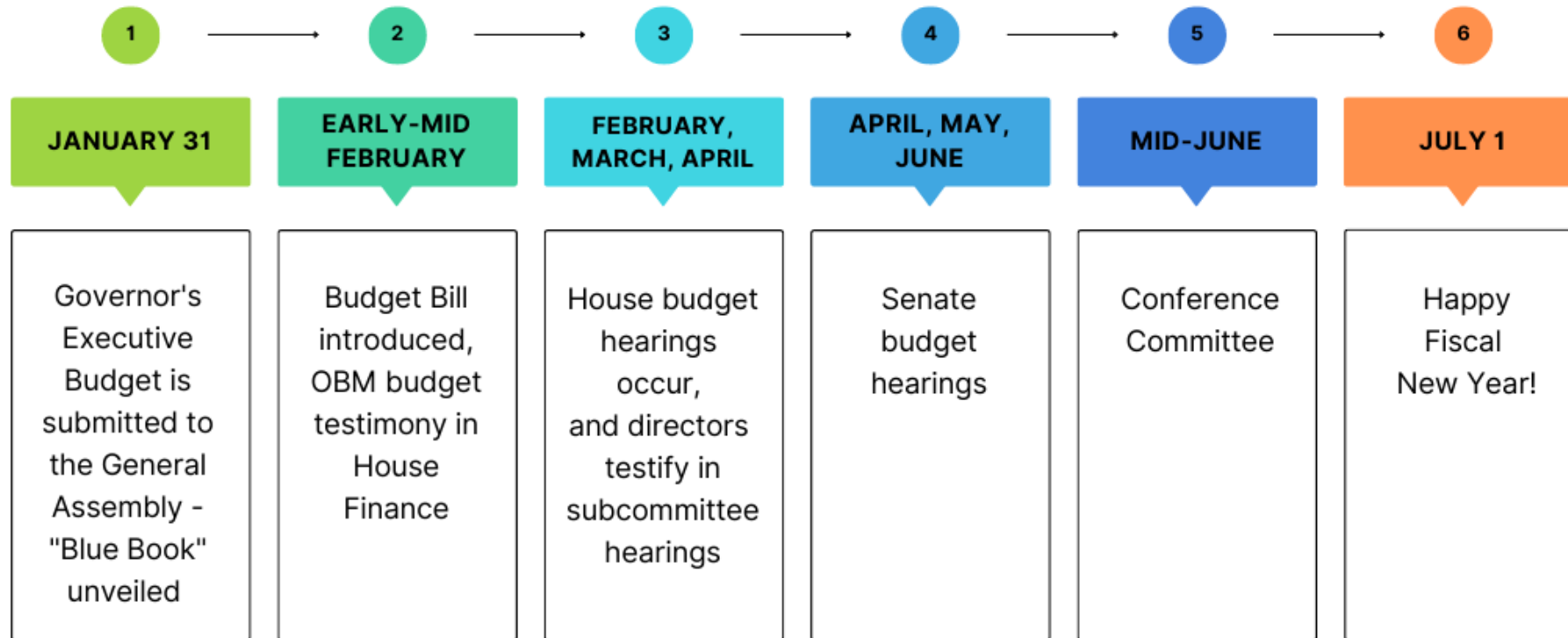
Jay Smith
Director of Government and
Legal Services

Overview

- Budget Bill - HB 33
- Tax Proposal - HB 1
- OLC Tools - Updated ROI Calculator
- OLC Messaging
- OLC Legislative Day - April 26
- Next Steps
- Questions



State Budget Timeline



Key Committees for the Budget

- House Finance (Jay Edwards, Chair)
- Finance Subcommittee on Higher Education, Manning-Chair, Cross, B.Young, Jarrells, Blackshear
- Senate Finance (Matt Dolan, Chair)
- Senate Workforce and Higher Education, Cirino-Chair, Rulli-Vice Chair, Reineke, Reynolds, Ingram

HB 33 - Budget Update

- OLC Testimony in House Finance Subcommittee on Higher Education
- Upcoming Testimony in House Finance Committee
- Easter Break (Mar. 31-April 17)

Public Library Fund (PLF) - Commitment to Ohio's public libraries

- Funding at new statutory levels in FY 2024 and FY 2025
 - 1.70% (permanent law)
- OBM PLF distribution estimates from Blue Book:
 - FY 2023: \$492 million
 - FY 2024: \$505 million (2.6% increase)
 - FY 2025: \$530 million (5.0% increase)

HB 1 - Tax Proposal

- 2.75% Flat Tax (\$1.5 to \$2 Billion Income Tax Cut), reduces the PLF by \$25 to \$34 Million per FY
- Eliminates the 10% Rollback on Class I Property (this includes the rollback benefit to residential property owners and the reimbursement to local governments)
- Reduces the assessment rate on Class I & II Property from 35% to 31.5%
- Includes a secondary property tax reduction factor in addition to HB 920
- Impact on HB 920?

OLC Resources and Tools

<http://libraryfunding.olic.org/>

- Advocacy Tools and Templates
- White Paper and Talking Points
- Statehouse Directory
- Webinar Recordings
- Testimony & News Updates
- ROI Calculator *recently updated
- Fact Sheets

Message to Lawmakers and Next Steps

- Make public libraries a priority in the state budget
- Maintain PLF funding and set the permanent law language at ***at least*** 1.70% of the State's General Revenue Fund (GRF)
- Hold public libraries harmless from any additional reductions in state funding (HB 1)
- Invite legislators into your libraries and show them the “good” and the “bad”

OLC Legislative Day at the Statehouse - Wed., April 26





OLC Legislative Day at the Statehouse - Wed., April 26

AGENDA

- | | |
|-------------------------|---|
| 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Registration and Refreshments |
| 8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Welcome and General Session:
Legislative Briefing and Talking Points
<i>Michelle Francis, Executive Director; and
Jay Smith, Director of Government and Legal Services, OLC</i> |
| 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Library Showcase in Statehouse Rotunda |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Minority Leadership Perspectives
<i>The Honorable Allison Russo, House Minority Leader
The Honorable Nickie Antonio, Senate Minority Leader</i> |
| 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Majority Leadership Perspectives
<i>The Honorable Matt Huffman, President of the Senate
The Honorable Scott Oelslager, Speaker Pro Tempore</i> |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. | Andrew Carnegie Award Presentation |
| 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. | OLC Luncheon with Legislators
<i>Keynote Address - Governor Mike DeWine</i> |
| 1:30 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. | Senate & House Sessions – <i>Statehouse Chambers</i> |

Questions?

Jay Smith

jsmith@olc.org

Michelle Francis

mfrancis@olc.org