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What is the Ohio Legislative Action Committee?

This diverse group of homeowner leaders, community managers, and representatives from community association business partners provides perspective on how proposed legislation could impact people living and working in community associations.

WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP

During legislative sessions in Ohio, there are always pieces of legislation introduced that impact Ohio community associations. We need your help now to continue to educate legislators and build relationships on your behalf. In order to be successful in supporting or opposing legislation, we rely on your support. Your donation makes our legislative advocacy and outreach efforts possible.

Please consider donating a \$1 per door (or more) so we can represent your community voice at the State Capitol. Giving is easy, simply donate online today at www.advocacy.caionline.org or mail back your Dollar-a-Door or More donations form.

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Gives you a voice. The volunteer committee represents the [approximately 1,660,000 Ohioans living in 690,000 homes in more than 9,000 community associations](#) across the Buckeye state. Your donation saves you and your community association money by protecting Ohio's homeowner and condominium associations from burdensome legislation.

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Keeps you informed and involved. The Ohio Legislative Action Committee (OH LAC) organizes "grassroots" advocacy campaigns — letters, e-mails, phone, and social media communications regarding important issues related to community associations.

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Tracks legislation that could impact community associations. During the 2025 session, OH LAC tracked nearly 40 pieces of legislation either directly or indirectly impacting community associations in the Buckeye state. >> www.caionline.org/LegislativeTracking

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Strengthens key relationships with lawmakers. By educating lawmakers, legislative and executive staff, and other organizations, as well as testifying, the committee helps advance issues facing community associations and influence the outcome of legislation.

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Advocacy Successes. The Ohio General Assembly operates on a two-year cycle, with new sessions starting the first Monday in January of odd-numbered years. Below are the highlights from the 2025 portion of the legislative session.

HB 16 – Political Yard Signs: OH LAC supports this bill, which establishes in Ohio Revised Code helpful standards for community associations to refer to in the development of community rules encouraging the timely, appropriate display of political yard signage on individual resident units. This bill aligns with CAI's [public policy on political signs](#). Because each association is unique, legislation should allow an association to develop reasonable rules and regulations concerning the time, location, materials, size, number, and manner of where political signs or other political displays and/or political activities and noncommercial signs are located within the community, while preserving the freedom of political expression. HB 16 grants community associations the ability to adopt and enforce reasonable rules and regulations concerning the time, size, location, and manner by which individual residents would be permitted to display political signs on their individual units or lots. The provision establishing 30 days from an election day as the "safe harbor" period in which individuals must be allowed to display yard signs is based in zoning standards enforced by certain municipalities around the state. The interests of associations and their boards are balanced by clarifying and supporting community associations' existing authority to limit political signs permitted for display to a standard size typical of those mounted on wire stakes, and allowing further rulemaking regulating the materials and number of signs allowed per unit. OH LAC submitted testimony to the Ohio House General Government Committee in support of this bill before a committee hearing. The bill was heard in committee but has not yet been voted on.

Status: In committee; Carried over to 2026.

SB 202/HB 75 - THIN BLUE LINE FLAG: This bill, also known as the Enact the Chief Steven DiSario Act, adds the thin blue line flag to the list of flags that are permitted for display in all condominium associations, neighborhood associations, and manufactured home parks under certain circumstances regarding size and placement. Before the introduction of this bill, the display of the United States flag, the Ohio state flag, the National League of POW/MIA Families flag, and the Military Service Star flags were protected by state law. In 2024, the LAC successfully advocated for an amendment specifying what is considered a thin blue line flag to ensure that all community associations understand what flags would be protected. After being re-introduced in 2025 with the amended language championed by OH LAC, the House version of this bill was heard in committee but has not yet been voted on.

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