



Ohio

STATEHOUSE-TO-PRISON PIPELINE:

MIDSESSION UPDATE

OF THE 2017-2018 OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE

BILLS INTRODUCED : **450**

NUMBER OF BILLS WHICH CREATE NEW CRIMES, EXPAND CURRENT CRIMES, OR ENHANCE SENTENCES: **46, OR 10.2%** OF ALL HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED.

ONLY DOWN .4% FROM LAST SESSION.

SENATE

BILLS INTRODUCED : **241**

NUMBER OF BILLS WHICH CREATE NEW CRIMES, EXPAND CURRENT CRIMES, OR ENHANCE SENTENCES: **23, OR 9.5%** OF ALL SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED.

ALREADY UP 3.1% FROM LAST SESSION.

DRUG SPECIFIC BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE OGA THIS SESSION

HOUSE BILL 4

To make clear OGA intent that cocaine sentencing include not only cocaine, but also compounds, mixtures, etc. containing cocaine.

Current status – Passed House 97-0; 3 hearings in Senate Judiciary Committee.



HOUSE BILL 296

Enhances sentences for certain drug offenses committed in vicinity of a treatment & addiction service providers.

Current status – 2 hearings in House Criminal Justice Committee.

HOUSE BILL 348

Omnibus fentanyl bill – enhancements, etc.

Current status – No hearings yet.

HOUSE BILL 424

Drug testing for unemployment compensation.

Current status – No hearings yet.

HOUSE BILL 455

Appears to include HB 4 language or at least intention & increases penalty for traffickers of various drugs including mandatory minimums.

Current status – No hearings yet.

HOUSE BILL 457

Mandatory treatment for those who fail a drug test if on community control sanction or parole.

Current status – No hearings yet.

SENATE BILL 1

Omnibus fentanyl bill.

Current status – Passed both chambers.



SENATE BILL 42

Related to HB 4. To ensure compounds, mixtures, etc. are added to sentencing provisions of other drugs where they may not currently exist or where it may be unclear.

Current status – 3 hearings in Senate Judiciary Committee.

