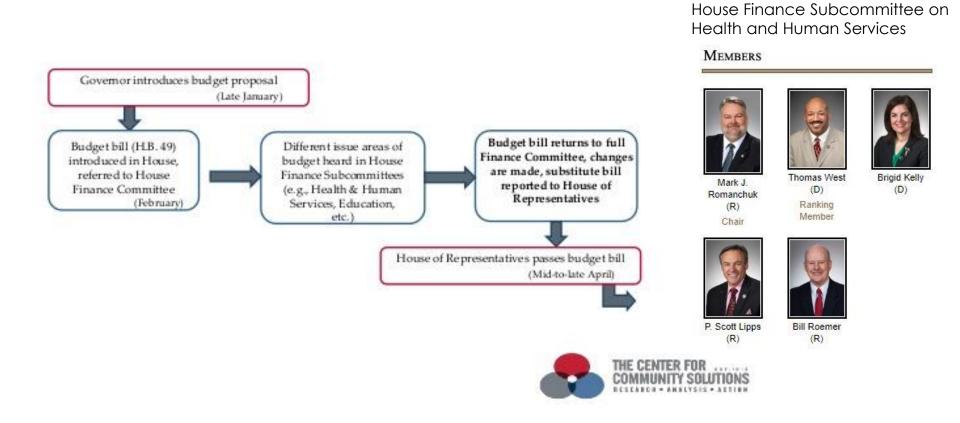
# State Budget Process and Advocacy Update



## State Budget

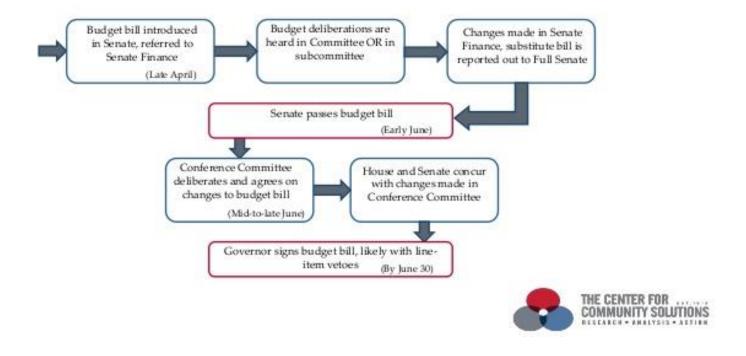
- For the next biennium
  - Fiscal Year 2020 and 2021 (FY20-21)
  - July 1, 2019- June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- Generally referring to the Main Operating Budget-fund state operations including departments such as ODM, DODD, OOD, and ODE
  - Other state budgets: transportation, workers comp, capital appropriations and capital re-appropriations
- First Budget for Governor DeWine
  - Set priorities for his administration
- Chapter 8: "The Ohio Budget Process" (Legislative Service Commission, 2017)

#### **Broad Overview**



<sup>\*</sup>Please note the H.B. number listed in the graph is for a previous state budget.

#### **Broad Overview**



- ■March:
  - ■Budget introduced on March 15th
  - Meetings with members of the House Finance Subcommittee on Health and Human Services
  - House Finance Committee
  - Coalition testimony- panel of representatives

- ■April:
  - Meetings with members of the House Finance Committee
  - Host House Leadership Event

- April/May- House Vote
  - ■Senate amendments
  - Host Senate Leadership Event
  - Additional legislative meetings and advocacy work

- June
  - Conference Committee
  - ■Budget must be signed by June 30<sup>th</sup> or file for an extension

■ Signing may include line-item veto, which the Legislature can overturn

## OPRA Advocacy

- ■When will OPRA be active?
  - All the time from now till the budget is signed by Gov. DeWine
  - Legislator amendments can shift funds
  - House Finance Health and Human Services Subcommittee Panel/Testimony

## OPRA Advocacy

- When can you be involved?
  - All the time- from now until the budget is signed by Gov. DeWine
  - Legislator amendments can shift funds
- □ Hows
  - Invite legislators to visit your programs
  - Providing services in a key Legislator's district?
    - Let us know- may leverage this for "Letters to the Editors"
  - Get your staff, individuals served, and families involved

#### Resources

- House of Rep. Directory
- Senate Directory
- Statehouse Map
- List of Key Legislators
- Tool: Find Your Ohio Legislators
- OPRA Webinar: Political Networking
- DRO Budget Timeline

- Director Davis Budget Initiatives
  - Blue Book
- Director Davis House Finance Committee Testimony (3/20/2019)
- Director Corcoran and Director Davis House Finance Committee Testimony (Recording) (3/20/2019)
- Subscribe to DODD Communications