

2025 Year in Review

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Dear Neighbor:

As your representative in Congress, I have, from day one, prioritized bringing your voices with me to Washington and reconnecting our communities to Congress. This year, I focused on lowering costs, keeping more money in your pockets, protecting health care access, and fighting government corruption.

I know Northeast Ohioans are feeling the impact of higher prices, especially for health care. That's why I voted against Republicans' One Big Ugly Bill, which will kick millions of Americans off their health care. I also co-sponsored the *Health Care Affordability Act*, which would make the Affordable Care Act tax credits permanent, and reintroduced the *Lower Your Taxes Act*, which would raise taxes on corporations and expand the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child Tax Credit. Corporations also play a huge role in rising costs, which is why I was proud to introduce the *Junk Fee Prevention Act* and the *Airline Passenger Compensation Act*. Both bills would help protect consumers from greedy corporations and keep more of your hard-earned money in your pockets.

Ending government corruption is another important priority of mine because when public officials use their power for personal gain, democracy itself is undermined. I joined a group of legislators to introduce the *End Corruption Now* legislative agenda. As part of the agenda, I introduced the *Closing Bribery Loopholes Act*. This legislation is especially timely, with Ohio having been ranked as the worst state for public corruption in the country.

I'm committed to making Ohio's 13th Congressional District a safer place to live, work, and grow up. My common sense, bipartisan legislation – the *Law Enforcement Scenario-Based Training for Safety and De-Escalation Act* – would create a real-life, scenario-based training curriculum for law enforcement, to better prepare officers for the situations they face in the field. This year, I also reintroduced the *Safer Homes and Families Legislative Agenda* to protect survivors of domestic violence and strengthen support systems nationwide.

Finally, I am proud to have delivered more than **\$243 million** in federal funds to Ohio's 13th Congressional District. These are your tax dollars coming back to our communities to support infrastructure, job growth, first responders, public education, and more. I also helped return nearly **\$8 million** to constituents that was owed from federal agencies and my team helped nearly 1,200 people in our community cut through red tape and ensure that our government works for you.

I'm confident we will continue to deliver results and expand opportunities for everyone. I'll keep putting people before politics and working across the aisle to secure meaningful results for our district and country. I am proud to work for you. My office can help with issues you may be having with the federal government such as delayed or incorrect Social Security benefits, veterans benefits, passports, and IRS casework. If I can ever be of assistance, do not hesitate to contact my office at (330) 400-5350 or visit sykes.house.gov.

Yours In Service,



Emilia Sykes
Member of Congress
13th Congressional District of Ohio



Putting partisan politics aside to deliver bipartisan results for Ohio's 13th Congressional District

Keeping More Money in Your Pockets

This year, I introduced several bills to keep more money in your pocket. The first bill I reintroduced this year was the *Lower Your Taxes Act*, which would raise taxes on corporations and expand the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child Tax Credit. The *Junk Fee Prevention Act* cracks down on deceptive and hidden fees that drive up consumer costs and requires transparency so families know the true price of services they rely on. The *Airline Passenger Compensation Act* would require U.S. airlines to provide cash compensation and rebooking assistance to passengers affected by airline-caused delays and cancellations.



Fighting for Affordable Health Care

Our country is in an affordable health care crisis, caused by the Republicans' One Big Ugly Bill. Due to slashing Medicaid and refusing to extend the Affordable Care Act (ACA) subsidies, millions of Americans face the reality of rising health care costs. That's why I voted against the One Big Ugly Bill and co-sponsored the *Health Care Affordability Act*, which would make the ACA tax credits permanent. I also introduced the bipartisan *Food Pharmacy Act*, to expand access to nutritious foods and nutritional guidance. Food pharmacies can be effective in improving patient understanding of nutrition, removing barriers to healthy eating, and utilizing food as medicine to help manage illness and disease.



Ending Government Corruption

I joined a group of legislators to introduce the *End Corruption Now* legislative agenda. As part of the agenda, I introduced the *Closing Bribery Loopholes Act*. My bill would expand the definition of "official acts" to include anything done by someone in their capacity as a public official, such as hosting events on publicly owned property. Under this expanded definition, performing these official acts for private gain would be defined as bribery. When public officials use their power for personal gain, democracy itself is undermined. This bill and the broader *End Corruption Now* agenda is about restoring public trust and ensuring that no one is above the law.





Delivering Results for Ohio 13

1,197

constituents
assisted with
casework

\$7,960,176

returned to
constituents

**Over
65,000**

emails sent to constituents
about the issues that
matter most to them

\$243,408,512

secured in federal
grant funding for our
communities



I Work For You

“I want to extend my sincere gratitude to Congresswoman Sykes and her team for their quick and effective assistance with my Social Security application. After my application had been stuck for over 60 days — far beyond the typical processing time — I reached out to her office for help. Within one day, her team responded, provided clear next steps, and contacted the Social Security Administration on my behalf. The very next day, I received a call from Social Security confirming that my application had been approved. I was truly impressed by the professionalism, responsiveness, and commitment of Congresswoman Sykes and her staff. Their intervention made a real difference for me, and I highly recommend reaching out to her office for any federal assistance. Thank you for your dedication to your constituents!” — **Ralph from Cuyahoga Falls**

“When contacting the Congresswoman's office, I was immediately put in touch with a Constituent Advocate. This individual listened to my situation and assisted me in resolving the inquiry I had made very efficiently and quickly. I was extremely grateful to Congresswoman Emilia Sykes and her office in assisting me and to my Constituent Advocate for his kindness and professionalism in dealing with my situation.” — **Terrilyn from Canton**

“Congresswoman Sykes and her office are exceptional. After being stuck in bureaucratic backlog, waiting for a visa interview for over a year, my husband and I contacted Congresswoman Sykes. A Constituent Advocate was immediately committed to our case. Within a week, my husband's interview was scheduled. For the next two months, they followed up and ensured our visa process was seamless, all the way up to my husband's arrival in the United States. I am happy to be home with my husband and be able to start a family here. I am eternally grateful to Ms. Sykes and her office for making this dream a reality.”

— **Sydney from Hudson**

“I didn't know that Members of Congress offered services like this before contacting Emilia Sykes on the recommendation of a family friend. They took a situation with a federal agency that I was fumbling through blind, and resolved it within two days. I am so pleased with the staff, their knowledge, their kindness, and their competency. I can not sing their praises loud enough. I will be happy to spread the word that we are lucky enough to have an attentive and caring Congresswoman taking care of our district.” — **Laura from Canton**

“I am so incredibly thankful to the Office of Emilia Sykes, who helped me with an ongoing issue I had with Social Security. I spent 4.5 years and countless visits and phone calls to Social Security with no results. A family member suggested I contact Congresswoman Sykes. After contacting her office via the website, I was promptly contacted by a Constituent Advocate in her office and the matter was resolved within a week or so! They could accomplish in a week what I couldn't accomplish in 4.5 years on my own. They were extremely courteous and prompt. I am forever grateful for their help and kindness. Team Emilia Sykes all the way!” — **Nancy from Canton**



7
Townhalls

8

**Congress In Our
Community events**

49

**Instagram Live
Sessions**



Working for you in our nation's Capitol

30

bills
introduced

12

bipartisan bills
introduced

428

votes cast on behalf
of Ohio's 13th
Congressional District

200

bills
cosponsored

108

bipartisan bills
cosponsored

195

legislative
advocacy letters

People over Politics



Empowering Working People

I'm working to grow the middle class by creating an economy that works for everyone, especially working people. This year, I introduced the bipartisan *No Tax on Overtime for All Workers Act* to expand the no tax on overtime provision for workers whose eligibility was excluded from the provisions included in the One Big Ugly Bill. I also supported the *Protect America's Workforce Act*, which would restore collective bargaining rights for over one million federal employees. I was proud to sign the discharge petition to bring this legislation to the House floor, where it passed with bipartisan support.



Keeping Our Communities Safe

Every person deserves to live free from fear and violence. That's why I reintroduced the *Safer Homes and Families Legislative Agenda*, a comprehensive legislative slate consisting of three bills to protect survivors of domestic violence and strengthen support systems nationwide. I also reintroduced the *Law Enforcement Scenario-Based Training for Safety and De-Escalation Act*. This bipartisan bill would create a real-life, scenario-based training curriculum for law enforcement personnel based on the wide range of issues they encounter while serving our communities.



Strengthening Our Infrastructure

As a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, I'm committed to strengthening our infrastructure. I'm working to secure federal funds to fix our roads and bridges as well as invest in our airports. This year, I reintroduced the *RAIL Act*, which would improve rail safety and keep our communities safe. I also introduced the bipartisan *Ohio River Restoration Program Act*, which would dedicate \$350 million to protect and restore the river. The bill would fund projects like habitat restoration, pollution prevention, and workforce training, while ensuring that residents have a voice in decisions that affect their water and communities.



We work for you, the people of Ohio's 13th Congressional District.

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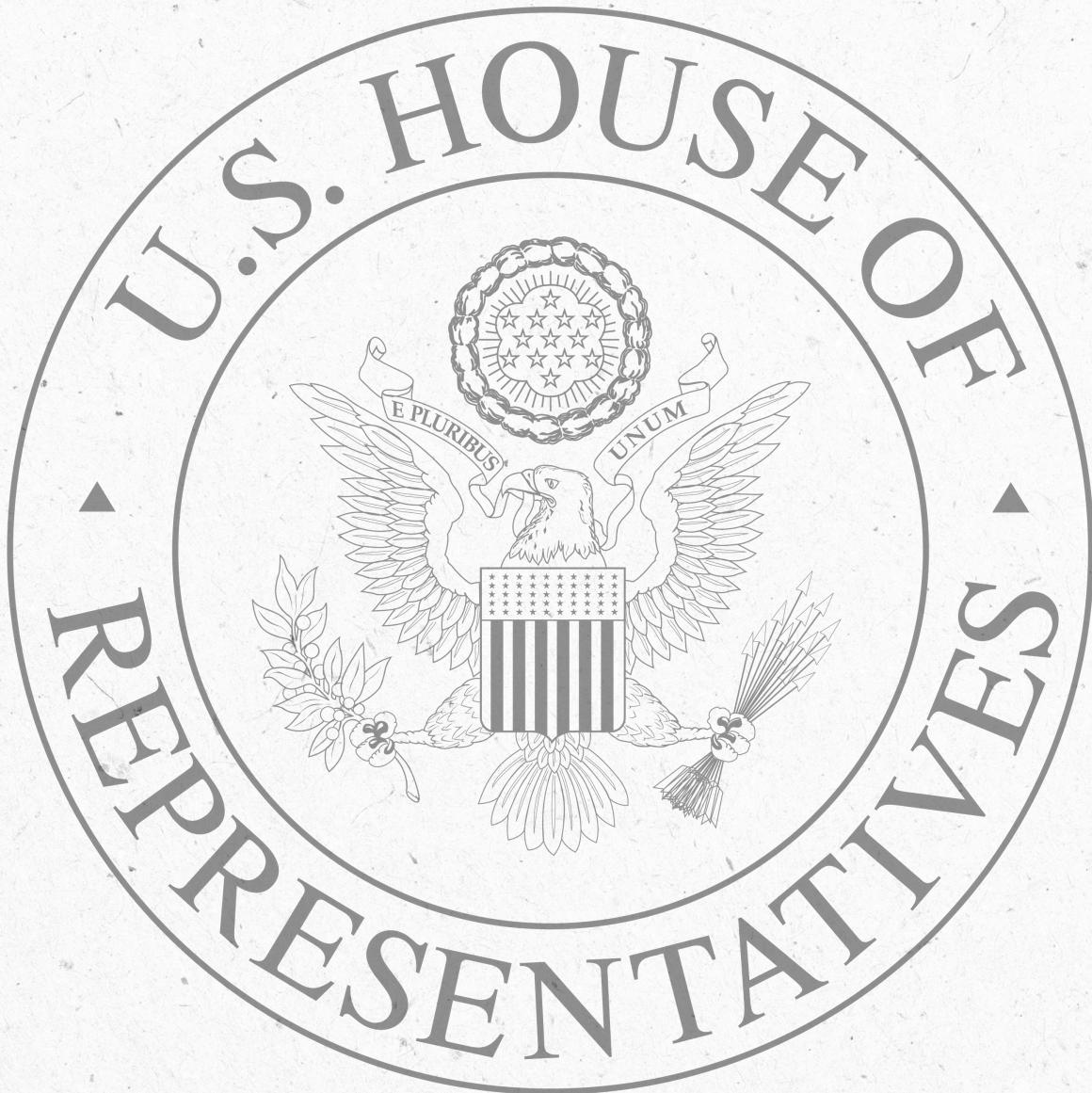
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