



**Senator Scott Oelslager**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Ohio Senate District**

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**BILL ADOPTING INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR JUVENILES IN OHIO  
SENT TO GOVERNOR**

*COLUMBUS*— State Senator Scott Oelslager (R- North Canton) announced today that Senate Bill 122, legislation that would bring Ohio into compliance with 46 other states and jurisdictions that have adopted new reforms to the Interstate Compact for Juveniles, has been passed by the Ohio House of Representatives.

The Interstate Compact for Juveniles is a collaborative mechanism used to ensure that youth on probation or parole receive supervision when they move across state lines. Without a compact in place, Ohio would have no legal recourse to supervise these youth. In addition, the Compact provides for uniform enforcement, compliance, and data collection, and ensures that youth who flee to avoid prosecution, to escape probation or parole, or run away from home are returned to their proper jurisdiction.

“By joining the national commission, Ohio has expanded its access to resources and information available in order to aid the state in the supervision, transfer, return and tracking of juveniles,” said Oelslager, who sponsored Senate Bill 122.

Currently, about 190 Ohio youth are under another state's probation or parole supervision. Another 250 youth from other states are supervised in Ohio by the Department of Youth Services through the Ohio courts.

Senate Bill 122 will now be sent to the Governor for his signature. The bill was supported by the Ohio Department of Youth Services and by the Ohio Judicial Conference.

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*State Senator Scott Oelslager represents the 29th Ohio Senate District, which includes portions of Stark County. For more information, please visit [www.ohiosenate.gov/scott-oelslager](http://www.ohiosenate.gov/scott-oelslager).*