# The Legislative Committee QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER Q2 2023

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Deadline to register to vote

**-** July 11

July 10

Early in-person and absentee voting by mail begins

— August 8

Election Day!



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The <u>Menstrual Equity for All Act</u> was introduced to the House last May and if passed, will require companies with 100+ employees to provide free period products in restrooms.

 Offering free period products is part of WELL Building Standards and provides one point towards LEED certification.

## **Advocacy Day Recap**



BOMA members from chapters all over Ohio met at the Statehouse on May 10<sup>th</sup> to meet with representatives to build relationships and discuss key issues facing our industry. BOMA Columbus met with 9 representatives that day. Below are just a few of the topics discussed!

Workforce development

- Supporting apprenticeship programs and second chance re-entry programs
- Funding and/or incentivizing exposure to and education of trade schools at the middle school and high school levels
- Affordable Housing
- Sustainability
  - Supporting tax incentives and increasing small business loans for energy-related building improvements
  - Avoid blanket mandates
- Overall cost to do business in Columbus
  - Incentivize, don't penalize

## **2023 Special Election**

This August, you will have the opportunity to vote on Issue 1 which will require a 60% majority from voters to approve a constitutional amendment. Be sure to check your registration before July 10th.

