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Introduction

The League of Women Voters of Ohio Education Fund first published *Know Your Ohio Government* in 1964 as a guide to the state's system of political organization and policy making. Each edition since has incorporated the many changes that have taken place in the laws and governance of the state of Ohio. This edition includes recent changes in state government, including a new process for drawing congressional districts, the expansion of school voucher programs and changes to school funding, and the creation of commissions aimed at reducing the number of Ohioans without health insurance and addressing the needs of immigrants who have moved to the state.

This publication is offered to the people of Ohio as a resource for understanding and participating in state government. The strength and effectiveness of our democratic form of government depend on the informed and active participation of everyday Ohioans in government and the political process.

The League of Women Voters of Ohio Education Fund is a nonpartisan educational organization that seeks to increase public understanding of major public policy issues and to promote awareness of the options available in government decision making. The League also provides educational services, research, publications and conferences to enable members of the public to take part more effectively in the democratic process.

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