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### **Columbus and Cincinnati Stop Collection of HB 6 Fees**

COLUMBUS – Today, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas sided with the cities of Columbus and Cincinnati on their litigation on HB 6.

“Today’s ruling is a win for all Ohioans,” said Columbus City Attorney Zach Klein. “HB 6 was passed through deceit, deception and corruption and this decision means that Ohio ratepayers will keep their hard-earned dollars instead of paying for a massive corporate bailout. We look forward to this case moving forward and we urge the legislature to do the right thing and repeal this law.”

In October, Columbus and Cincinnati filed a lawsuit seeking to strike down HB 6 as unconstitutional and protect Ohio residents from nearly \$1 billion in new fees imposed by the utility over the next six years. Without immediate action, the utility would have begun collecting fees imposed by HB 6 on January 1, 2021.

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