

Overview Backup

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Emilia Sykes Was Born In Northeast Ohio

Sykes Was Born And Raised In Akron, Ohio. “Born and raised in Akron, Ohio, Congresswoman Emilia Strong Sykes grew up on the city’s west side and has dedicated her career to strengthening her community.” [Akron Roundtable, [2/3/23](#)]

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Coleman Was A MAGA Extremist Who Supported Key Parts Of The Trump Agenda, Including Tariffs, Which Were Raising Costs On Ohioans

Coleman Supported Trump And Claimed, “Everybody Is Winning In The Trump Economy”

AUDIO: January 2026: Coleman: “Everybody Is Winning In The Trump Economy.” COLEMAN: “Everybody is winning in the Trump economy, while we were losing 1000s, 1000s of dollars during the Biden administration, when it comes to real spending power with the inflation, the inflation was crushing, absolutely debilitating.” [Carey Coleman Show, YouTube, 1:30:51, [1/9/26](#)] (AUDIO)

Coleman Supported Trump's Tariffs Which Were Raising Costs On The Average Household By \$4,200

AUDIO: January 2026: Coleman: “When It Comes To Tariffs And The Overall Background Inflation [...] Competition Will Eventually Give You Very Good Pricing.” COLEMAN: “Well, what I what I try to explain to some of these pseudo intellectuals, some of these PhD econ types that always think that they know so much more than you and me. I try to explain to them in what you're trying to say, when it comes to tariffs and the overall background inflation, that you think that this is going to inspire, what you're really trying to say is you have zero faith in a free market economy, in a free market economy where there is competition. And there is not fake competition with government subsidies, subsidizing cheap steel being dumped on our market. Real good. Free market competition will even it out, and it won't be as painful. That means competition will eventually give you very good pricing.” [Carey Coleman Show, YouTube, 1:59:06, [1/9/26](#)] (AUDIO)

2025: Trump's Tariffs Increased The Cost Of Living By More Than \$1,700 Per Family. “Following the Supreme Court’s decision today to overturn Trump’s tariffs, the Joint Economic Committee – Minority released an updated report estimating that American families have already paid more than \$1,700 each in tariff costs since President Trump took office. Combining Treasury Department data on the amount of tariff revenue collected across the first year of Trump’s term with independent estimates from the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office of the percent of each tariff dollar that is paid by American consumers, the Committee found that they paid more than \$231 billion in total tariff costs between February 2025 and January 2026, an average of more than \$1,700 per family. ‘President Trump’s tariffs have been a disaster for American families, driving costs up at the worst possible time,’ said U.S. Senator Maggie Hassan, Ranking Member of the Joint Economic Committee. ‘While the Supreme Court has thankfully and correctly ruled that much of Trump’s tariff agenda was an illegal exercise of presidential power, today’s ruling cannot undo the damage that tariffs have already caused.’” [Joint Economic Committee, Press Release, [2/20/26](#)]

March 2026: Families Were Projected To Pay More Than \$2,500 More Due To Tariffs This Year. “The Joint Economic Committee – Minority today released new data estimating that families could pay more than \$2,500 in tariffs costs this year. Following the Supreme Court’s ruling that the bulk of the President’s tariff agenda was illegal, the administration moved immediately to enact new tariffs that Treasury Secretary Bessent claims will result in ‘virtually unchanged tariff revenue in 2026.’” [Joint Economic Committee, Press Release, [3/13/26](#)]

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The NRCC Called Coleman “A Trusted Ohio Voice” Who Would “Deliver Principled, Results-Driven Leadership For The People Of Northeast Ohio.” “The National Republican Congressional Committee (NRCC) released the following statement on Ohio’s 13th Congressional District primary election: ‘Democrat Emilia Sykes has ditched hardworking Ohioans to prioritize appeasing the radical far-left with her votes in Washington while ensuring vacation time with the Socialist Squad. Carey Coleman is a trusted Ohio voice who has a history of standing up for common sense and will deliver principled, results-driven leadership for the people of Northeast Ohio.’ – NRCC Spokesman Zach Bannon.” [NRCC, Press Release, [5/6/26](#)]

Sykes Message #1 Backup

Emilia Sykes is fighting to make life more affordable by cutting taxes, health care costs and housing costs.

Sykes pushed to eliminate junk fees and to pass her Lower Your Taxes Act to cut taxes for middle-class Ohioans. She is cracking down on corporate price gouging in grocery stores that are making food more expensive, and fighting to eliminate taxes on overtime work so that Ohioans can keep more of their hard-earned money.

Sykes is fighting to lower skyrocketing health care costs that are crushing Northeast Ohio families. She will work to reverse the cuts to Medicare, Medicaid and the ACA that are kicking 469,000 Ohioans off their health care, raising premiums by over \$1,200, and threatening to close our hospitals. And she’s taking on big insurance companies that jack up rates and deny claims.

Sykes knows that rent is too expensive and owning a home is out of reach for so many Northeast Ohio families. She has fought to lower the cost of buying, renting and selling a home, and she’s leading the



fight to crack down on corporate landlords buying up homes and cutting red tape to build more affordable housing. She expanded affordable housing in East Akron and is fighting to establish a program for first responders and teachers to afford a home in the community they serve.

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Sykes Pushed To Eliminate Junk Fees And To Pass Her Lower Your Taxes Act To Cut Taxes For Middle-Class Ohioans.

Sykes Introduced The Junk Fee Prevention Act Which Would Crack Down On Junk Fees By Creating Transparency Requirements

Sykes And Bynum Introduced The Junk Fee Prevention Act, Which Helped Crack Down On Deceptive, Excessive, And Hidden Fees By Creating Transparency Requirements. “Today, U.S. Representatives Emilia Sykes (OH-13) and Janelle Bynum (OR-05) introduced the Junk Fee Prevention Act. The bill cracks down on deceptive, excessive, and hidden fees that drive up prices for consumers across the country. This bill creates new transparency requirements to ensure families know the real cost of the services they rely on. The Senate version of the bill is being introduced by U.S. Senators Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) and Ruben Gallego (D-AZ).” [Congress.gov, H.R. 6430, introduced [12/4/25](#); Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [12/4/25](#)]

Consumer Reports: The Junk Fee Prevention Act Would Rein In The Rise Of Hidden Fees.

“Consumer Reports endorsed the Junk Fee Prevention Act introduced today by Senator Richard Blumenthal modeled after a proposal touted by President Biden during the recent State of the Union address. The bill aims to rein in the rise of hidden fees that frustrate consumers and distort and inflate the true price of goods and services.” [Consumer Reports, [3/22/23](#)]

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She Is Cracking Down On Corporate Price Gouging In Grocery Stores That Are Making Food More Expensive...

Sykes Cosponsored The Shrinkflation Prevention Act, Which Would Stop Grocery Stores From Decreasing The Sizes Of Products Without Lowering Their Prices

Sykes Cosponsored H.R. 7825, The Shrinkflation Prevention Act. [Congress.gov, H.R. 7825, [6/26/24](#)]

The Shrinkflation Prevention Act Would Stop Corporations Like Grocery Stores From Deceptively Decreasing The Size Of A Product Without Lowering The Price Commensurately. “Today, Congressmembers Chris Deluzio (PA-17) and Marie Gluesenkamp Perez (WA-03) introduced the Shrinkflation Prevention Act. The legislation would prohibit corporations from deceptively decreasing the sizes of their products without lowering the price commensurately. Without advertised changes, customers are often unaware when they receive less for what they spend. In practice, shrinkflation might mean more air in a bag of chips, fewer sheets on a roll of paper towels, or a divot in the bottom of a jar of peanut butter.” [Rep. Chris Deluzio, Press Release, [3/26/24](#)]

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Senator Blumenthal On The Junk Fee Prevention Act: “Our Bill Will Help End This Price Gouging And Protect Consumers From Abusive Fees.” “‘Concealed surprise fees are nickel and diming Americans to distraction and must be stopped. Families booking flights for the holidays are experiencing surprise sticker shock firsthand when they click to confirm their tickets and are hit with hidden excessive charges,’ said Sen. Blumenthal. ‘Our bill will help end this price gouging and protect consumers from abusive fees. It will mandate basic common-sense fairness and transparency, which consumers rightly demand and deserve.’” [Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [12/4/25](#)]

Sykes Unveiled Her Affordability Agenda, Which Included “Crack[Ing] Down On Price-Gouging Corporations To Increase Competition In The Food Marketplace.” “Today, U.S. Representative Emilia Sykes (OH-13), in collaboration with the New Democrat Coalition, released her Affordability Agenda, a policy roadmap to help make life more affordable for Ohio’s 13th Congressional District’s constituents by focusing on lowering the five core costs that are too high for hardworking people: health care, housing, energy, family care, and household essentials like groceries. [...] Groceries & Household Essentials Restore certainty by rolling back Trump’s tariffs and advancing smarter, durable trade policies. Support small producers and crack down on price-gouging corporations to increase competition in the food marketplace.” [Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [2/11/26](#)]

... And Fighting To Eliminate Taxes On Overtime Work So That Ohioans Can Keep More Of Their Hard-Earned Money.

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Fitzpatrick (R-PA) 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 H.R. 1, the “Big Beautiful Bill”. The No Tax on Overtime for All Workers Act broadens the definition of qualified overtime compensation to include overtime work done by workers who are covered under the Railroad Labor Act and includes overtime as it is defined by collective bargaining agreements.” [Congress.gov, H.R. 4740, [7/23/25](#); Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [9/19/25](#)]

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Sykes Cosponsored A Bill To Reverse The Health Care Cuts In The Big Beautiful Bill

Sykes Cosponsored The Protecting Health Care And Lowering Costs Act Which Would Reverse The Health Care Cuts Of The Big Beautiful Bill And Permanently Extend ACA Tax Credits. “U.S. Representative Emilia Sykes (OH-13) recently co-sponsored H.R.4849, the Protecting Health Care and Lowering Costs Act of 2025. This bill, introduced by Congressman Adam Gray (CA-13), would reverse all of the healthcare cuts made in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, H.R. 1, including those to Medicaid, and would permanently extend the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Premium Tax Credits.” [Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [9/19/25](#)]

The Big Beautiful Bill Made Cuts And Medicaid And Would Force Cuts To Medicare

The Hill: Republicans Passed “The Largest Cuts To Medicaid Since The Program Began In The 1960s.” “Senate Republicans on Tuesday passed the largest cuts to Medicaid since the program began in the 1960s, a move that would erode the social safety net and cause a spike in the number of uninsured Americans over the next decade. The tax and spending bill is projected to cost more than \$3 trillion during that time, but it would be partially paid for with about \$1 trillion in cuts to Medicaid. Almost 12 million lower-income Americans would lose their health insurance by 2034, according to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO).” [The Hill, [7/1/25](#)]

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The Big Beautiful Bill Would Require Automatic Sequestration Cuts That Would Cause \$490 Billion In Cuts To Medicare Over The Next Ten Years. “Because of a statutory requirement to automatically impose budget cuts when legislation increases the deficit, the Big Beautiful Bill would require automatic sequestration cuts across the board, something that has been confirmed by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) but has been largely absent from the debate over the bill. Medicare is one of the programs that will face the axe, and the damage sums to \$490 billion over the next ten years, starting in the next fiscal year that begins in October. While many of the safety-net cuts in the bill are delayed to help Republicans with their re-election campaigns, the Medicare cuts must begin next year.” [The American Prospect, [7/3/25](#)]

The Big Beautiful Bill Was Projected To Kick 469,000 Ohioans Off Their Health Care

Ohio Capital Journal: Medicaid Work Requirements Were Estimated To Be Kicking 356,000 Ohioans Off Their Health Care, On Top Of The 113,000 Ohioans Who Lost Coverage After ACA Tax Credits Were Allowed To Expire. “Medicaid work requirements that are part of the Trump/Republican One Big Beautiful Bill Act could cause 356,000 people in Ohio to lose their health care coverage, according to a new report, on top of about 113,000 who already have lost coverage after tax credits were allowed to expire.” [Ohio Capital Journal, [3/31/26](#)]

The Big Beautiful Bill Failed To Extend ACA Tax Credits Which Raised Average Premiums By \$1,200 On Ohioans Annually

The Big Beautiful Bill Failed To Extend ACA Tax Credits. “An additional 4.2 million will lose marketplace coverage because the law failed to extend the premium tax credit enhancements, which lower annual premiums by more than \$700, on average, for people who receive them.” [Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, [8/27/25](#)]

An Analysis From Health Policy Ohio Found That The Average Monthly Premium Paid By Market Place Consumers In Ohio Increased From \$126 To \$233, A \$107 Increase Per Month. “Affordable Care Act marketplace premiums more than doubled in 27 Ohio counties this year after the expiration of enhanced federal subsidies, adding to the financial strain of consumers who kept their coverage. The average monthly premium paid by marketplace consumers in the Buckeye State increased from \$126 in 2025 to \$233 in 2026, an increase of \$107 per month, according to a new analysis from the Health Policy Institute of Ohio, a nonpartisan, Columbus-based nonprofit.” [Cleveland Plain Dealer, [7/20/26](#)]

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Under The One Big Beautiful Bill, Hospitals In OH-01 Were Projected To Lose More Than \$63 Million As A Result Of Medicaid Cuts. [Third Way, GOP Medicaid Cuts Will Decimate Hospitals Nationwide, [7/8/25](#)]

Projected Cuts To OH-13 Hospital Revenue From Medicaid Cuts In The One Big Beautiful Bill		
Hospital	City	Projected Cut To Hospital Revenue
Summa Health System	Akron	\$26,765,859
Akron General Medical Center	Akron	\$16,054,043
Aultman Hospital	Canton	\$10,169,879
CCF Mercy Medical Center	Canton	\$6,895,919
Western Reserve Hospital	Cuyahoga Falls	\$2,012,532
Crystal Clinic Orthopaedic Center	Akron	\$1,295,277
Total:		\$63,193,508

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The One Big Beautiful Bill Put 11 Ohio Rural Hospitals And 10 More Ohio Hospitals At Risk Of Closure

Ohio Capital Journal Headline: “10 Ohio Hospitals Face Risk Of Closure Due To Trump/Republican Spending Law, Analysis Shows.” [Ohio Capital Journal, [4/7/26](#)]

A Public Citizen Report Found That 10 Safety-Net Hospitals Were At Risk Of Closure In Ohio Due To Health Cuts Under The Big Beautiful Bill. “Ten safety-net hospitals are at risk of closure in Ohio due to health cuts under a Republican spending law President Donald Trump signed last summer, according to a new analysis. The law also cut taxes on the richest 1% of Americans by \$1 trillion. Ohio Republican U.S. Sen. Jon Husted, who voted for it, declined to comment. Trump’s One Big Beautiful Bill Act cuts nearly \$1 trillion from Medicaid over 10 years, and those cuts risk closing 446 safety-net hospitals nationwide, said the report by Public Citizen.” [Ohio Capital Journal, [4/7/26](#)]

Ohio Capital Journal: Ohio Had 11 Rural Hospitals That Were At Risk Of Closing Under Trump’s Spending Bill. “Eleven rural Ohio hospitals were recently listed as at-risk under President Donald Trump’s spending bill, which was signed into law last week and includes more than \$1 trillion in cuts to Medicaid. Democratic U.S. Senators Edward Markey, Jeffrey Merkley, Ron Wyden, and Chuck Schumer sent a letter to Trump, Senate Majority Leader John Thune, and Speaker of the House Mike Johnson on June 12 outlining hundreds of hospitals that were considered at-risk under Trump’s spending bill.” [Ohio Capital Journal, [7/9/25](#)]

And She’s Taking On Big Insurance Companies That Jack Up Rates And Deny Claims.

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- **Aultcare Was An Insurance Company.** “40 years ago, health insurance in our region changed forever. AultCare does things differently than ordinary health insurers, even the biggest ones. We work on your behalf to give you the best possible coverage.” [AultCare, accessed [8/16/26](#)]

Sykes Knows That Rent Is Too Expensive And Owning A Home Is Out Of Reach For So Many Northeast Ohio Families. She Has Fought To Lower The Cost Of Buying, Renting And Selling A Home...

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At The Meeting, Members Discussed Strategies To Drive Down Rent And Expand Paths To Home Ownership. “The meeting brought members together to begin shaping House Democrats' housing agenda and identify the policies that will deliver the fastest relief for families. Members discussed strategies to drive down rents, expand the path to homeownership, and cut red tape and outdated regulations that hold back new construction. The group also examined ideas to strengthen protections for renters and confront the homelessness crisis. Ranking Member Rep. Maxine Waters’ (CA-43) longstanding work on the House Financial Services Committee will help guide the work of the Housing Affordability Working Group.” [Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [6/15/26](#)]

Sykes Voted For The ROAD To Housing Act Which Included “A Host Of Pro-Housing Provisions” To Lower The Cost Of Housing

Sykes Voted For The ROAD To Housing Act. In June 2026, Sykes Voted For: “Hill, R-Ark., motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the federal housing overhaul measure. The amendment would modify federal housing programs and overhaul federal housing regulatory requirements and housing finance options. It would increase the cap on the share of banks’ capital that can be devoted to ‘public welfare investment’ -- projects that promote affordable housing and economic development in low-income communities -- from 15 percent to 20 percent.” The motion was agreed to by a vote of 358-32. [H.R. 6644, [Vote #224](#), 6/23/26; CQ, [6/23/26](#)]

The ROAD To Housing Act Included “A Host Of Pro-Housing Provisions” Aimed At Making Housing Easier To Build. “The 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act includes provisions to streamline NEPA reviews, expand factory-built housing and incentivize local pro-supply reforms. Builders say federal action helps, but local zoning and permitting remain the main constraint on new housing. The 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act, which went into effect on July 11, includes a host of pro-housing provisions aimed at making housing easier to build and cutting red tape.” [Housing Wire, [7/17/26](#)]

The ROAD To Housing Act Sought To Lower The Cost Of Housing By Including Incentives To Increase Production Capacity, And Providing Grants For Housing Planning. “Last week, after months of negotiations, both chambers of Congress passed the 21st Century ROAD to Housing Act, and the President is expected to sign it into law in the coming days. This new legislation seeks to address structural problems in the housing market and to lower housing costs in the long term. [...] Among its many provisions, the legislation includes incentives to unlock housing production capacity through state and local zoning, land-use, and permitting reforms, including eliminating the chassis requirement and providing grants for housing planning.” [Housing Wire, [7/17/26](#)]

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The ROAD To Housing Act Restricted The Purchase Of New Single-Family Homes By Large Institutional Investors That Owned At Least 350 Single-Family Homes. “Sec. 1001 – Homes Are for People, Not Corporations Restricts the purchase of new single-family homes by large institutional investors that directly or indirectly own at least 350 single-family homes. Provides exemptions, including for large institutional investors seeking to purchase or build new single-family homes specifically for the rental market, and establishes a renter outreach resource to help renters of homes owned by large institutional investors through landlord disputes.” [Bipartisan Policy Center, [6/23/26](#)]

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NeighborWorks America Awarded A \$250,000 Grant To Expand Affordable Housing In East Akron After Sykes’ Advocacy

Sykes Announced That Neighborworks America Awarded A \$254,000 Grant To The East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation To Expand Affordable Housing. “Today, U.S. Representative Emilia Sykes (OH-13) announced that NeighborWorks America will award \$254,000 to the East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation through its Fiscal Year 2026 Flexible Impact Grants program. NeighborWorks America, a congressionally-chartered nonprofit, supports a nationwide network of organizations working to build and sustain strong, safe, and affordable communities. In FY 2025, NeighborWorks and its network generated \$11.64 billion in direct investment across the country, creating and preserving housing for 430,000 people, supporting homeowners, and driving job growth.” [Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [4/22/26](#)]

The CEO Of East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation Thanked Sykes For Her Advocacy To Get This Funding, Stating “Due To Her Help, We Are Able To Continue To Provide Housing And Essential Services.” ““EANDC is grateful that Congresswoman Sykes is committed to championing funding that supports the mission of revitalizing our neighborhoods and supporting housing opportunities. Due to her help, we are able to continue to provide housing and essential services for seniors, veterans, individuals and families in over 640 residential housing units in Akron, Canton, and Massillon,” said Cheryl Stephens, president and CEO of East Akron Neighborhood Development Corporation (EANDC).” [Rep. Emilia Sykes, Press Release, [4/22/26](#)]

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The HELPER Act Established A New Home Loan Program To Help First Responders And Teachers Purchase Homes. “The HELPER Act would establish a new home loan program administered by the Federal Housing Administration to help public safety officers, first responders, and teachers purchase homes. Specifically, the bill would: • create a one-time use home loan program under the FHA for law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians (EMT), paramedics, and pre-K-12 teachers; • eliminate the down payment requirement; • eliminate the monthly mortgage insurance premium (MIP) requirement; • require a 3.6 percent upfront mortgage insurance (UFMI) premium to ensure the solvency of the program; and • requires the program to be reauthorized after five years.” [National Fraternal Order of Police, Press Release, [3/14/25](#)]