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McKinley Monument,
West View of the Statehouse

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The latest edition of *A Guidebook for Ohio Legislators* updates and revises the 2009 edition. With the text compiled in a three-ring binder, information can be updated quickly with replacement pages if necessary.

The *Guidebook* summarizes the Ohio lawmaking process and provides other information about state government that should be of interest to legislators. Although the *Guidebook* is intended for use as a reference by members and staff of the General Assembly, it also may be useful to others interested in Ohio's legislative procedures. The *Guidebook* is not copyrighted. Any part of it may be copied without prior permission from the Legislative Service Commission (LSC), provided that persons copying the *Guidebook* attribute the work to LSC. A copy of the entire *Guidebook* may be obtained from the LSC library by the payment of a copying charge or downloaded free from the LSC web site (www.lsc.state.oh.us).

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