



# Ohio Commission on Local Government Reform and Collaboration

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Columbus - The Ohio Commission on Local Government Reform and Collaboration will hold a meeting and public hearing on Friday, December 4, 2009 at 10:30 am. The meeting will be held in the Louis Stokes Wing Auditorium of the Cleveland Public Library located at 325 Superior Avenue NE, Cleveland, OH 44114. Ample parking is available in surface or garages located around the facility.

The Commission is interested in hearing testimony relative to three areas of primary focus and research the Commission has established:

- 1.) Recommendations that will encourage and incentivize local governments to collaborate;
- 2.) Identify local and state tax structure changes which would encourage collaboration or improve service effectiveness; and
- 3.) Identify current/alternative service delivery models.

Individuals or groups that wish to testify are strongly encouraged to contact one of the Commission's co-chairs and bring at least 30 copies of written testimony for Commission members.

The Commission is a legislatively created fifteen member panel. It is charged with researching and writing a report that recommends reform and collaboration measures in order to improve local government operations and service delivery. The Commission must issue a report to the Governor and the General Assembly by July 1, 2010.

Considerable information about the work of the Commission can be found on the Commission's website at [www.ohioreformandcollaboration.org](http://www.ohioreformandcollaboration.org). The website also includes a portal for those interested in submitting recommendations to the Commission rather than testifying in person.