



REPRESENTATIVE CARL B. STOKES AT THE STATEHOUSE

During two terms in the Ohio General Assembly, Rep. Stokes has been the author or co-author of much strong and important legislation.

WELFARE RE-ORGANIZATION BILL

Rep. Stokes co-authored legislation that completely re-organized Ohio's five major welfare programs; Aid to Dependent Children, Aid to the Blind, Aid to the Aged, Aid to the Disabled and General Assistance. It established a more simplified administration at the level closest to the people. The law was hailed by the newspapers and social welfare agencies as the most significant change in the welfare laws of this state. This legislation will make it possible for the senior citizens of Ohio to benefit immediately from the Medicare Legislation.

BILL TO EXTEND ADC OF UNEMPLOYED FATHERS

Rep. Stokes was a co-sponsor for legislation that extended the Aid to Dependent Children Act to families where the unemployed father still lived with his family. This contributed to keeping families together by removing the necessity of the head of the family having to leave home in order that his family get adequate assistance.

STATE AID TO EDUCATION BILL

Rep. Stokes sponsored legislation to provide additional State Aid to metropolitan school districts. This is most critical to a city like Cleveland where the costs of municipal services are so high. The small home owners cannot continue to bear the increasing costs of education without this increased state aid.

FAIR HOUSING BILL

Rep. Stokes led the fight for the "Fair Housing Bill" in both sessions. The one adopted this year takes its place as one of the best housing laws in the nation and the strongest of such laws to be adopted by a state in its first effort. It excludes only two family owner-occupied dwellings, spells out "block busting" violations, outlaws restrictive covenants and forbids discrimination by lending institutions and newspapers.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BILL

Rep. Stokes co-sponsored a state "conflicts of interest" bill establishing a code of ethics for members of the general assembly, employees, and employees of state agencies, and to establish committees on ethics and regulate contracts and appearances before state agencies.

POLL TAX AMENDMENT

Rep. Stokes co-sponsored Ohio's ratification of the United States' constitutional amendment abolishing Poll tax.



**REP. CARL B. STOKES
FAMILY MAN**

Representative Stokes resides on East 147th Street with his wife Shirley and their two children, Carl Jr. 7 and Cordi, 4.

An Attorney, Representative Stokes practices law with the firm of Minor, Stokes & Stokes. Prior to his election to the Ohio Legislature Rep. Stokes served four years as assistant prosecutor of the City of Cleveland.

Rep. Stokes served in the United States Army where he saw service in the European Theatre.