



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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BILL SUMMARY

- Expands the definition of "public record" under the Public Records Law to include records kept by a police department of a qualified nonprofit corporation and by a private college or university police department when it has authority outside the college or university property pursuant to an agreement with a political subdivision.
- Expands the definition of "records" to include any document, device, item, or electronic record created or received by or coming under the jurisdiction of either of the above police departments.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Documents, Reports, and Records Law

The bill expands the definition of "records" in the Documents, Reports, and Records Law to include any document, device, or item, regardless of physical form or characteristic, including an electronic record, created or received by or coming under the jurisdiction of a police department established by a qualified nonprofit corporation or a campus police department established by a private college or university when its board of trustees has entered into an agreement with a political subdivision granting the campus police department powers and authority outside the property of the college or university.¹

¹ R.C. 149.011(G).

Public Records Law

The Public Records Law generally requires that public records responsive to a request be promptly prepared and made available for inspection to any person at all reasonable times during regular business hours.²

The bill expands the definition of "public record" under that Law to include records kept by a police department established by a qualified nonprofit corporation and records kept by a campus police department established by a private college or university when its board of trustees has entered into an agreement with a political subdivision granting the campus police department powers and authority outside the property of the college or university.³

HISTORY

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² R.C. 149.43(B).

³ R.C. 149.43(A)(1).

