



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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H.B. 219

131st General Assembly
(As Reported by H. Health & Aging)

Reps. Barnes, Huffman, Antonio, Bishoff, Brown, Butler, Duffey, T. Johnson, Sears, Sprague

BILL SUMMARY

- Designates January as "Thyroid Health Awareness Month."

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Thyroid Health Awareness Month

The bill designates the month of January as "Thyroid Health Awareness Month" to raise awareness of thyroid-related diseases and conditions, including thyroid cancer.¹ The thyroid is a butterfly-shaped gland located in the neck, just above the collarbone. It is an endocrine gland, which makes hormones. Thyroid hormones control the rate of many of the body's metabolic activities.²

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	05-19-15
Reported, H. Health & Aging	10-07-15

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¹ R.C. 5.256.

² National Institutes of Health, U.S. National Library of Medicine, *Thyroid Diseases*, available at <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/thyroiddiseases.html>.