



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 300 of the 131st G.A.

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Status: As Reported by Senate Criminal Justice

Sponsor: Reps. Baker and Manning

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Driver's license suspension

State Fiscal Highlights

- The Bureau of Motor Vehicles may experience some shifting in workload and revenue, as the reinstatement of a small number of suspended driver's licenses may be delayed by as much as ten years.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill: (1) modifies the law governing the termination or modification of a lifetime driver's license suspension or a class two suspension that exceeds 15 years, (2) clarifies that a class one driver's license suspension for certain aggravated vehicular homicide offenses may not be terminated until at least 15 years have elapsed since the person was released from prison, and (3) expands the limited driving privileges that may be granted for any license suspension imposed by a court.

From a fiscal perspective, these changes are relatively minor and do not significantly alter existing processes or procedures. Specifically, the bill will delay the granting of certain motions to terminate a license suspension by as much as ten years. The number of affected license suspensions is expected to be relatively small.

Local courts and clerks of courts are unlikely to incur any additional costs to comply with the bill's provisions. The resulting impact on the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV), which is responsible for reinstating suspended licenses, may include some shift in workload and revenue, as a few individuals with certain license suspensions may have to wait longer to have their license reinstated than otherwise might have been the case under current law and practice. The resulting impact on the BMV is expected to be minimal.