



# OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

**Bill:** S.B. 233 of the 132nd G.A.

**Status:** As Introduced

**Sponsor:** Sen. Thomas

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

**Subject:** Allows a cottage food production operator to use a firebrick oven located on a patio at the operator's residence

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The bill has no direct fiscal effect on state or local political subdivisions. It allows a cottage food production operator to make cottage food items using a firebrick oven located on a patio at the operator's residence. Current law only allows for these products to be made using a stove or oven in an ordinary (noncommercial) kitchen within the operator's residence. A cottage food production operation is exempt from regulation, including registration and inspection, as a food processing establishment by the Department of Agriculture (AGR).

Under current law, cottage food production operations must label each of their products with certain information and are subject to random food sampling conducted by AGR's Division of Food Safety. The Division of Food Safety is funded by GRF line item 700407, Food Safety, and fees that are deposited into the Food Safety Fund (Fund 4P70). This revenue consists of testing fees collected by local health departments for food sampling and license and registration fees from various food-related businesses.

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