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Version: As Introduced

Primary Sponsor: Rep. McNally

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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The bill has no fiscal impact on the state or political subdivisions. The bill requires that the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) install and maintain security cameras at each rest area in ODOT's jurisdiction by June 30, 2031. The bill also requires the Director of ODOT to consult with the Director of Public Safety and Attorney General in determining an appropriate schedule to implement the bill. ODOT is currently installing security cameras in rest areas as those facilities are either constructed or renovated. Because these installations are part of an ongoing effort to upgrade the state's rest areas, there is no additional cost to ODOT resulting from the provisions of the bill.

According to data provided to ODOT, the agency began installing security cameras in new rest areas in FY 2019. As of this writing, there are seven rest area sites that have operational security cameras. ODOT's Division of Facilities and Equipment Management estimates the initial cost for adding security cameras and other necessary equipment to a new rest area can range between \$183,000 and \$508,000. The cost range depends on factors such as the number of cameras at each rest area, the type of security package installed, other needed equipment, the availability of internet at the rest area, and the overall size of the rest area. There are a total of 85 ODOT-maintained rest areas in the state; however, 17 of those are currently closed.¹

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¹ transportation.ohio.gov/traveling/rest-areas.