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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Previous Version (As Introduced)	Latest Version (I_133_2328-1)
Website publication	
Authorizes a clerk of courts to publish a property tax foreclosure notice on a website maintained by the clerk, in lieu of a second and third publication of that notice in the newspaper required under current law (<i>R.C. 323.25(D), 5721.14(C), and 5721.18(A) and (B)(1)</i>).	Same, except requires officials involved with property tax foreclosure proceedings, including the county treasurer, prosecuting attorney, clerk of courts, and sheriff, to select the publication website, which may be the court's or another county government website. If those officials cannot agree on a website, requires the administrative judge of the court in which the action is filed to select the website. (<i>R.C. 323.25(D), 5721.14(C), and 5721.18(A) and (B)(1)</i> .)

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No similar provision. (Under current law, a newspaper is required to file an affidavit with the court attesting that the three required publications of certain foreclosure notices have been completed.)	If certain tax foreclosure notices are published online, requires the prosecuting attorney to file an affidavit with the court attesting to its online publication. The affidavit must be filed two weeks after the notice is first published, which is the time after which service by publication is considered complete. <i>(R.C. 5721.14(C) and 5721.18(B)(1).)</i>
Newspaper publication	
No similar provision. (Current law authorizes the second and third newspaper publication of a property tax foreclosure notice to be published in full, but also appears to authorize its publication in the abbreviated form.)	Expressly permits the second and third publication of the notice in the newspaper to be made in an abbreviated form as allowed under continuing law's publication procedure for state and local government notices or advertisements. An abbreviated notice under this procedure must include a summary of the notice's purpose and the clerk of court's contact information and also requires the full notice to be published on the existing statewide public notice website <i>(R.C. 323.25(D), 5721.14(C), and 5721.18(A) and (B)(1)).</i>