



www.lsc.ohio.gov

# OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Office of Research  
and Drafting

Legislative Budget  
Office

**S.B. 312**  
**133<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly**

## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

[Click here for S.B. 312's Bill Analysis](#)

**Version:** As Introduced

**Primary Sponsor:** Sen. McColley

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

Robert Meeker, Budget Analyst

The bill has no direct fiscal effect on the state or political subdivisions. The bill modifies the powers and jurisdiction of the judges of the Hardin County Court of Common Pleas, and makes related division designation and judicial election changes. The court's caseload will be unaffected.

Currently, the Hardin County Court of Common Pleas has two judges, one general division judge and one probate judge. The probate judge was most recently elected in 2014 and that judge's successor will be elected in 2020, term to begin February 9, 2021. The general division judge was most recently elected in 2016 and that judge's successor will be elected in 2022, term to begin on January 1, 2023. While there may be some indirect incidental administrative costs related to the transition (i.e., updates to stationary, signage, and the court's website), they are not expected to be significant in relation to the existing day-to-day operating costs of the court and will likely be undertaken as part of normal upkeep and management.