

## Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Version: As Passed by the Senate

Primary Sponsors: Sens. Yuko and Rulli

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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## Highlights

- The bill creates the Commission on Eastern European Affairs, and appropriates from the GRF \$440,944 in each of FY 2022 and FY 2023 to pay for its operating expenses.
- The bill has no direct fiscal effect on the state's political subdivisions.

## **Detailed Analysis**

The bill: (1) establishes the Commission on Eastern European Affairs, (2) requires the Commission generally to gather and disseminate information concerning Eastern European people, (3) establishes the related Office of Eastern European Affairs to assist the Commission in the performance of its duties, and (4) appropriates from the GRF \$440,944 in each of FY 2022 and FY 2023 to pay for the Commission's operating expenses.

The Commission consists of 15 members: 11 are voting and four are nonvoting. Each voting member receives compensation for actual and necessary expenses incurred and for each day that the member is engaged in Commission duties, not to exceed one day per month.

The bill also creates the Office of Eastern European Affairs to assist the Commission in the performance of its duties and requires the Commission to appoint a director for the Office, who serves at the pleasure of the Commission. The Director, with the Commission's approval, is required to appoint as necessary employees to carry out the Office's duties. The employees serve at the pleasure of the Director.

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