

## Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Version: In House Commerce and Labor

Primary Sponsors: Reps. Ray and Roemer

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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## Highlights

The Board of Building Appeals, and county and municipal boards may charge a \$1,000 fee to offset additional administration and processing costs of an expedited appeal as authorized under the bill.

## **Detailed Analysis**

Any additional costs incurred through the expedited appeals process would likely be offset through a \$1,000 appeal fee permitted under the bill. The bill permits the request of an expedited appeal of an order issued by the Board of Building Appeals or county and municipal boards of building appeals. Under continuing law, the Board of Building Appeals is permitted to establish reasonable fees for appeals, based on actual costs for administration of filing and processing and not exceeding \$200 (the current fee is \$200). County and municipal boards of building appeals are also permitted to establish reasonable, cost-based fees for appeals that do not exceed \$100. At the state level, the Board of Building Appeals used to conduct three in-person hearings each month. However, since 2020, these hearings have been held remotely through electronic means, reducing administrative costs.

## **Synopsis of Fiscal Effect Changes**

The amendment increased the fee for an expedited appeal from \$500 to \$1,000. This fee increase may help further offset the costs attributable to the expedited appeals process.