

## Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

# **Bill Analysis**

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Primary Sponsors: Reps. Hall and Swearingen

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#### SUMMARY

- Appropriates an additional \$422 million in FY 2022 to the Office of Budget and Management to disburse to certain local governments in accordance with the federal American Rescue Plan Act.
- Reappropriates the unexpended, unencumbered balance at the end of FY 2022 for FY 2023, and likewise the balance at the end of FY 2023 for FY 2024.

#### **DETAILED ANALYSIS**

#### Appropriations for coronavirus relief

The bill appropriates an additional \$422 million to OBM in FY 2022 to disburse to nonentitlement units of local government in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and subsequent guidance issued by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.<sup>1</sup> It also reappropriates any unexpended, unencumbered funds remaining at the end of FY 2022 to FY 2023 and similarly reappropriates leftover FY 2023 funds to FY 2024. "Nonentitlement units of local government" are those units that did not receive ARPA funds directly from the federal government and include cities, villages, and townships.<sup>2</sup>

In June 2021, the 134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly enacted <u>H.B. 168</u>, which appropriated the initial \$422 million to OBM in FY 2022 for the same purposes. Information about that act may be found on the Ohio General Assembly's website: <u>legislature.ohio.gov</u>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 1, amending Section 220.11 of H.B. 168 of the 134<sup>th</sup> General Assembly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> U.S. Department of the Treasury, *Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for Nonentitlement Units of Local Government*, <u>ARPA Guidelines (PDF)</u>, which may be accessed by conducting a keyword search "non-entitlement units" on the Department's website: <u>https://home.treasury.gov/</u>.

### HISTORY

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