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Version: As Reported by House State and Local Government

Primary Sponsor: Sen. O'Brien

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- The bill establishes a new D-9 liquor permit (with a \$500 annual permit fee) for an establishment to sell beer, wine, or mixed beverages where the establishment hosts automobile sports as its primary activity. Any revenue gain associated with this new permit are likely to be negligible annually given the narrow qualifying criteria.
- Liquor permit revenues are credited to the Undivided Liquor Permit Fund (Fund 7066), and then distributed 45% to the State Liquor Regulatory Fund (Fund 5LPO), 35% to the municipalities and townships in which liquor premises are located, and 20% to the Statewide Treatment and Prevention Fund (Fund 4750).

Detailed Analysis

County departments of probation

The bill allows a board of county commissioners to authorize a county probation department to accept payments by financial transaction device.¹ If a board of county commissioners authorizes county expenses to be paid by credit card, then the county department of probation is permitted to accept credit card payments. Currently, some county probation departments in Ohio already accept certain payments by credit card either directly or through the clerk of courts. This permissive authority may reduce the time and effort required to process certain county probation department financial transactions.

¹ A financial transaction device is a credit card, debit card, charge card, or prepaid or stored value card, or automated clearinghouse network credit, debit, or e-check.

D-9 liquor permit

The bill is likely to result in some revenue gain to the Undivided Liquor Permit Fund (Fund 7066), as a result of the newly created liquor permit for certain facilities that host automobile sports. Specifically, the bill establishes a new D-9 liquor permit, which allows an establishment to sell beer, wine, or mixed beverages in disposable containers at retail for on-premises consumption, if the hosting facility meets the qualifications and operational requirements stated in the bill. The fee for this new permit is \$500. Because the permit requirements under the bill appear to be crafted to apply to a small number of facilities, very few of these new permits are likely to be issued, and quite possibly only one given the qualifying criteria.

Liquor permit fee revenues are credited to the Undivided Liquor Permit Fund (Fund 7066), and then distributed as follows: 45% to the State Liquor Regulatory Fund (Fund 5LPO), 35% to the municipal corporations and townships in which liquor premises are located, and 20% to the Statewide Treatment and Prevention Fund (Fund 4750).

Day designations

The bill's day designations noted below will have no direct fiscal effect on the state or its political subdivisions, as there are no actions required to be taken by any of those public entities.

- January 11th as "Human Trafficking Awareness Day."
- October 23rd as "Aromatic L-Amino Acid Decarboxylase Deficiency Awareness Day."