



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Synopsis of Senate Committee Amendments*

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Fingerprinting of 4-H volunteers

Eliminates recently enacted law that does both of the following:

(1) Stipulates that any policy or guideline established by OSU Extension that requires volunteers for 4-H programs to be fingerprinted must require only individuals who become volunteers for those programs on or after September 29, 2015, to be fingerprinted and to be fingerprinted only one time; and

(2) Requires OSU Extension to modify any policy or guideline regarding fingerprinting of 4-H volunteers that has been established prior to that date to comply with the above stipulation.

Prohibits OSU Extension from charging volunteers for 4-H programs for any background checks conducted regarding the volunteers.

Agricultural pollution abatement

Revises recently enacted provisions of law transferring responsibility for agricultural pollution abatement to the Department of Agriculture by doing both of the following:

-- Retaining the requirement that a program for coordination of such abatement recommended by the Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission be based on water quality standards, but eliminating the requirement that it also be based on air quality standards; and

-- Eliminating the requirement that the Director of Agriculture coordinate the efforts of state and local governmental agencies to meet the minimum state air and water quality standards relating to agricultural pollutants.

* This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the Senate Floor.

Authorizes the Director of Environmental Protection to coordinate with the Division of Soil and Water Conservation in DNR and soil and water conservation districts for the abatement of agricultural pollution rather than requiring the Director to utilize those entities in encouraging landowner abatement of agricultural pollution.

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