

Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 230 of the 131st G.A. **Date**: December 8, 2015

Status: As Reported by House Health and Aging Sponsor: Reps. Sprague and Fedor

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: To modify the practices of chemical dependency counseling and prevention services

State Fiscal Highlights

• The bill renames the certified Prevention Specialist I Certificate and the Prevention Specialist II Certificate to the Prevention Specialist Certificate and the Prevention Consultant Certificate, respectively. According to the Chemical Dependency Professionals Board (CDP Board) Executive Director, there would be a minimal cost to print new certificates and to mail them.

Local Fiscal Highlights

• No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

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In addition, the bill removes several experience, education, and training requirements for chemical dependency counselors, prevention specialists, and prevention consultants. Instead, the bill requires the CDP Board to adopt rules establishing these requirements. There would be minimal costs associated with moving these provisions to the Administrative Code.

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