

Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 187 of the 131st G.A. **Date**: December 15, 2015

Status: As Passed by the House **Sponsor**: Rep. Ginter

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Stabilization of an injured animal in an emergency

State Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill: (1) permits a first responder or emergency medical technician to provide certain emergency medical services to an injured dog or cat, (2) permits a veterinarian to establish and provide a written protocol to, or consult with, emergency medical service personnel to enable the provision of emergency medical services to a dog or cat, and (3) provides qualified immunity to emergency medical service personnel, medical directors, members of cooperating physician advisory boards, emergency medical services organizations, and veterinarians related to the provision of emergency medical services to a dog or cat. Any costs incurred by a local jurisdiction, such as training, would be a function of a local jurisdiction exercising its authority to permit certain staff to perform these services; the bill does not require it. It also appears that the bill generally may codify current practice.

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