

Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 22 of the 131st G.A. **Date**: February 18, 2015

Status: As Reported by House Government **Sponsor**: Reps. Dovilla and Anielski

Accountability and Oversight

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Amends the designation of the George V. Voinovich Bridge to include both eastbound and

westbound spans

State Fiscal Highlights

• The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur costs of approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign, including materials and labor, to install appropriate markers on or near the eastbound span of the Innerbelt bridge on Interstate Route 90 in Cuyahoga County.

Local Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill amends a previously enacted section of the Revised Code (R.C. 5533.359) that designates the bridge on Interstate 90 (I-90) spanning the Cuyahoga River in Cuyahoga County as the George V. Voinovich Bridge. The bill requires the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to install markers on or near *both* the eastbound and the westbound bridges that carry traffic on I-90 over the river. As part of a large Major New construction project, ODOT is replacing the one Innerbelt bridge in Cleveland on I-90 with two bridges. The westbound bridge has been completed, while the span that will carry eastbound traffic is under construction. When placing signs indicating an honorary designation for a bridge, ODOT typically installs a marker in each direction along the approaches to the bridge. According to ODOT, the cost of installing signs for memorial highways and bridges is approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign, including materials and labor. Once a set of signs is installed, typically there are no maintenance costs unless the signs are knocked down or damaged. Signs are usually in need of replacement every 12 to 15 years.

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