



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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(As Introduced)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Establishes the State Recreational Vehicle Fund Advisory Board to advise the Department of Natural Resources regarding the use of state recreational vehicle money and to study the feasibility of establishing a grant program to fund recreational vehicle projects.
- Requires the Board to consist of members representing users of specified types of recreational vehicles and power sport dealers.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill establishes the State Recreational Vehicle Fund Advisory Board to advise the Department of Natural Resources regarding the use of state recreational vehicle money and to study the feasibility of establishing a grant program to fund recreational vehicle projects on both private and public lands. Not later than one year after the bill's effective date, the Board must issue a report of its findings and recommendations to the Director of Natural Resources, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, and the chairpersons and ranking minority members of the committees of the House of Representatives and Senate with primary responsibility for issues related to natural resources.¹

The bill requires the Director, not later than 60 days after its effective date, to appoint the following seven members to the Board: two members representing snowmobile users, two members representing all-purpose vehicle users, two members

¹ R.C. 1541.50(A) and (F).

representing off-highway motorcycle users, and one member representing power sport dealers. The bill establishes staggered three-year terms for the members.²

The bill also establishes requirements for future appointments by requiring the Director to consult a list of candidates provided by a recognized statewide organization representing the membership category of the position for which an appointment will be made. The list must be submitted two weeks prior to the expiration of a term or as soon as possible prior to a vacancy.³

The bill then establishes standard appointment and reappointment procedures and allows members to be reappointed. Members must be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses they incur. Finally, under the bill, serving as a member of the Board does not constitute holding a public office or position of employment and does not constitute grounds for removing a public officer or employee from an office or position.⁴

HISTORY

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Introduced	05-20-15

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² R.C. 1541.50(A).

³ R.C. 1541.50(B).

⁴ R.C. 1541.50(C), (D), and (E).

