

Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 243 of the 131st G.A. **Date**: April 21, 2016

Status: As Enacted Sponsor: Rep. Schaffer

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Makes changes governing the Architects Board and the Landscape Architects Board regarding

continuing education requirements

State Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

Continuing law allows the Architects Board and the Landscape Architects Board the option of adopting rules pertaining to continuing education requirements. If the boards opt to adopt those rules, current law requires the boards to specify certain ways in which the requirements may be satisfied. The bill eliminates the requirement for the boards to specify how the requirements may be satisfied, providing more flexibility for the boards in developing continuing education requirements. However, the bill retains a requirement that, if the boards adopt rules pertaining to continuing education requirements, such rules generally follow model continuing education recommendations by the applicable national councils of architect and landscape architect registration boards. There does not appear to be a direct fiscal effect as a result of the bill.

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