



# OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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## Bill Analysis

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(As Passed by the Senate)

**Sens.** Terhar, Tavares, Brown, Balderson, Beagle, Burke, Coley, Eklund, Gardner, Hackett, Hite, Hoagland, Huffman, Jordan, Kunze, LaRose, Lehner, Manning, Obhof, O'Brien, Oelslager, Peterson, Sykes, Thomas, Uecker, Williams, Wilson, Yuko

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## BILL SUMMARY

- Designates January 31 as "Omphalocele Awareness Day."
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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

### Omphalocele Awareness Day

The bill designates January 31 as "Omphalocele Awareness Day" to raise public awareness of this birth defect and encourage medical research.<sup>1</sup> Omphalocele is a rare abdominal wall defect in which the intestines, liver, and other abdominal organs protrude from the abdomen.<sup>2</sup> The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that each year about 775 babies in the United States are born with an omphalocele. The causes of omphalocele among most infants are unknown.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 5.2510.

<sup>2</sup> National Institutes of Health, U.S. National Library of Medicine, Medical Encyclopedia, *Omphalocele*, available at <https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/000994.htm>.

<sup>3</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, *Facts about Omphalocele*, available at <http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/omphalocele.html>.

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	01-31-17
Reported, S. Health, Human Services & Medicaid	02-22-17
Passed Senate (33-0)	02-22-17

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