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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 222 of the 132nd G.A. Status: As Introduced

Sponsor: Rep. Greenspan Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Specifies that a concealed handgun license qualifies as photo identification for the purposes of voting

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill does not appear to have any direct fiscal impact on the state or county boards of elections. It specifies that a concealed handgun license (CCW) qualifies as photo identification for voting purposes. Under Election Law currently, CCW is not considered to qualify as photo identification because it is issued by individual counties, and not a state or federal government entity. While the bill does not appear to have any fiscal impact, it is possible that individuals that do not have other forms of identification wishing to vote on Election Day could use the provisions of the bill to cast a normal ballot. This could therefore potentially reduce the use of provisional ballots. But, it would appear that any such circumstances would be infrequent. According to the Ohio Attorney General's annual report, 117,953 new concealed carry permits and 40,982 renewals were issued in calendar year 2016.

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