

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Nicholas J. Blaine

## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

**Bill:** H.B. 131 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by House Health

Sponsor: Reps. Gavarone and Reineke Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

**Subject:** Revise physical therapy laws

## State & Local Fiscal Highlights

• The bill may increase costs for the Ohio Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Athletic Trainers Board (OTPTAT) if the modified scope of practice for physical therapists results in additional complaints and investigations. The increase will likely be minimal.

## **Detailed Fiscal Analysis**

The bill modifies the scope of practice for physical therapists by specifying that they can diagnose a physical impairment or disability, determine a prognosis, and develop a therapeutic intervention plan. Physical therapists are licensed by OTPTAT. The bill may result in an increase in costs to the Board if the modified scope of practice results in additional complaints and subsequent investigations; any increase will likely be minimal.

HB0131HR.docx/zg