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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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**Version:** As Introduced

**Primary Sponsor:** Rep. Arndt

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

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The bill could have some minimal fiscal effect on courts of common pleas or other relevant courts for handling civil cases involving the cost of storing or disposing of abandoned vessels or outboard motors. Any such costs would be offset by court fees that are assessed for adjudicating these cases. Also, clerks of courts may see some additional work for processing title transfers as outlined in the bill, but would recoup these costs through title fees, which are \$15. It is difficult to estimate the number of abandoned vessels and outboard motors that could be subject to the bill's provisions. However, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources' Division of Watercraft tracks the number of abandoned vessels in which the Division processes title searches for disposition. The Division completed 392 searches in 2017 and completed 297 such searches in 2018. Overall, there are 301,143 registered motor boats and 254,466 paddle craft registered in Ohio.