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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Version: As Reported by House Criminal Justice

Primary Sponsor: Rep. Abrams

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- Public children services agencies may experience an increase in costs to establish memoranda of understanding with each branch of the armed forces and to provide notification of a child abuse or neglect investigation.

Detailed Analysis

The bill requires a public children services agency (PCSA) to determine if a parent, guardian, or custodian of a child subject to a child abuse or neglect investigation is in the armed forces and, if so, to notify the appropriate authority of that armed force. While providing the notification will likely pose no more than an administrative cost, PCSAs will need to first establish memoranda of understanding (MOUs) with each military branch. According to the Public Children Services Association of Ohio, each PCSA will experience costs related to the time it takes to establish the MOU with each military authority.