## **Ohio Legislative Service Commission**

### **Bill Analysis**

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# H.B. 82 131st General Assembly (As Introduced)

Reps. Hambley, Amstutz, Becker, Ginter, T. Johnson, Koehler, Maag, Thompson

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

- Authorizes the legislative authorities of a multicounty, municipal-county, or multicounty-municipal correctional center to contract for the private operation and management of a center that houses felon inmates.
- Authorizes a board of county commissioners to contract for the private operation and management of a county jail, workhouse, minimum security misdemeanant jail, or other correctional facility that houses felon inmates.

#### CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill authorizes boards of county commissioners that have established or are establishing a multicounty correctional center, and the board or boards of county commissioners and the legislative authority of one or more municipal corporations that have established or are establishing a municipal-county or multicounty-municipal correctional center, to contract for the private operation and management of the center under ongoing law,<sup>1</sup> even if the center houses felon inmates.<sup>2</sup> Currently, only those multicounty, municipal-county, or multicounty-municipal correctional centers that house misdemeanant inmates may be privately operated and managed under contract.

The bill also allows the board of county commissioners of a county with a county jail, workhouse, minimum security misdemeanant jail, or other correctional facility to enter into a contract for the private operation and management of that facility under

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> R.C. 9.06.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> R.C. 307.93 and 753.03.

ongoing law,<sup>3</sup> even if the facility houses felon inmates.<sup>4</sup> Currently, only those county facilities that house misdemeanant inmates may be privately operated and managed.

#### **HISTORY**

ACTION DATE

Introduced 02-25-15

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> R.C. 341.35.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> R.C. 9.06.