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SUMMARY

- Repeals the statute that makes selling or donating blood containing the virus that causes AIDS a criminal offense.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Repeal of criminal offense of selling or donating contaminated blood

The bill repeals R.C. 2927.13, which prohibits selling or donating contaminated blood. Under current law, a person with knowledge that the person is a carrier of a virus that causes AIDS is prohibited from selling or donating the person's blood, plasma, or a product of the person's blood, if the person knows or should know the blood, plasma, or product of the person's blood is being accepted for the purpose of transfusion to another individual.¹ The penalty for selling or donating contaminated blood is a fourth degree felony.²

HISTORY

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¹ R.C. 2927.13(A).

² R.C. 2927.13(B).