



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 168 of the 131st G.A. **Date:** October 8, 2015
Status: As Passed by the House **Sponsor:** Rep. Huffman

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Bans the sale of electronic cigarettes that are not in child-resistant packaging

State Fiscal Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Health (ODH) would experience a minimal increase in administrative costs to adopt rules establishing standards for child-resistant packaging.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- Local courts may experience a minimal increase in administrative costs related to civil filings for violations of the bill. However, county treasuries may experience a minimal increase in revenue from the civil penalty of up to \$1,000 established by the bill.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill bans the sale of any liquid intended for use in electronic cigarettes that is not in child-resistant packaging. The bill requires the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) to develop guidelines and adopt rules establishing standards for child-resistant packaging. This requirement would lead to a minimal increase in administrative costs for ODH.

The bill requires the Department of Public Safety to enforce the laws and rules relative to child-resistant packaging for electronic cigarettes. The Department does not anticipate incurring additional costs to comply with these provisions.

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