



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 183 of the 131st G.A.

Date: January 19, 2016

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor: Reps. Antani and Stinziano

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Grants voting powers to student members of university boards of trustees

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill grants voting power to the student members of the board of trustees of each of Ohio's 14 state universities. Student trustees are also granted the right to attend executive sessions of the board of trustees. The bill specifies that students cannot be made ineligible for board membership by receiving financial aid or by working for the university. Currently, student trustees of the Ohio State University (OSU) have voting power.¹ Therefore, the bill would impact the remaining 13 universities. Since the bill does not place additional requirements on boards of trustees or affect the compensation of members, there is no direct fiscal effect on these state universities.

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¹ H.B. 64 of the 131st General Assembly requires the OSU Board of Trustees to adopt a resolution to grant or not grant voting power to student members and authorizes the University's Board to adopt subsequent resolutions to change the voting status of student trustees. The OSU Board of Trustees granted voting power to student members in November 2015.