



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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## Bill Analysis

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### H.B. 236

131st General Assembly

(As Reported by S. Transportation, Commerce and Labor)

**Reps.** Blessing and Landis, Howse, Anielski, Boyd, Brown, Dever, DeVitis, Green, Hackett, Lepore-Hagan, Perales, Retherford, Rogers, Sweeney, Terhar

**Sen.** LaRose

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## BILL SUMMARY

- Requires a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to complete at least two hours of continuing professional development in professional ethics or rules relevant to the practices of engineering or surveying during each biennial renewal period.
- Allows a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to carry forward to the next biennial renewal period up to two hours of continuing professional development in professional ethics or rules.

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

### Continuing professional development hours

Beginning with registrations expiring on or after December 31, 2017, the bill requires a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to complete at least two of the already required 30 hours of continuing professional development in professional ethics or rules relevant to the practices of engineering or surveying.<sup>1</sup> Under continuing law, a registration as a professional engineer or professional surveyor expires every two years on December 31. To renew a registration, continuing law requires a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to complete at least 30 hours of continuing professional development during the biennial renewal period unless otherwise exempt. That professional development may include coursework or

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 4733.151(C).

activities dealing with technical, ethical, or managerial topics relevant to the practice of engineering or surveying.<sup>2</sup>

Under continuing law, a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor who completes more than 30 hours of approved coursework or activities in a biennial renewal period may carry forward to the next biennial renewal period a maximum of 15 of the excess hours. The bill allows a registered professional engineer or professional surveyor to carry forward to the next biennial renewal period up to two hours of continuing professional development on professional ethics or rules as part of the 15-hour maximum.<sup>3</sup>

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	06-01-15
Reported, H. Commerce & Labor	12-03-15
Passed House (96-0)	01-26-16
Reported, S. Transportation, Commerce & Labor	12-05-16

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<sup>2</sup> R.C. 4733.151(A) and (B) and R.C. 4733.15, not in the bill.

<sup>3</sup> R.C. 4733.151(E).

