



# OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

**Bill:** H.B. 288 of the 132nd G.A.

**Status:** As Reported by House Transportation and Public Safety

**Sponsor:** Rep. Anielski

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

**Subject:** "Cuyahoga Heights Schools" license plate

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### State & Local Fiscal Highlights

- The Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) will experience an increase in expenditures of \$6.08 to produce each requested pair of "Cuyahoga Heights Schools" license plates, which will be offset by the bill's required \$10 BMV administrative fee.
- The amount credited to the existing License Plate Contribution Fund (Fund 5V10) and then paid to the Cuyahoga Heights Local School District (\$30 contribution per pair) will depend upon demand for the license plate, which is uncertain.
- The bill generally will have no direct fiscal effect on any of the state's political subdivisions.

### Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill creates the "Cuyahoga Heights Schools" license plate that is available to all Ohio motorists. As summarized in the table below, a motorist applying for the plate must pay: (1) a \$10 Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) administrative fee, and (2) a \$30 contribution to be used by the Cuyahoga Heights Local School District. The bill specifies that the implementation and termination procedures that typically apply to special license plates do not apply to the "Cuyahoga Heights Schools" license plate.

Cuyahoga Heights Schools License Plate			
Special License Plate	BMV Fee	Required Contribution	Contribution Recipient
Cuyahoga Heights Schools	\$10	\$30	Cuyahoga Heights Local School District

### Bureau of Motor Vehicles

The BMV currently produces special license plates via a digital print-on-demand process. The total cost to produce a pair of these plates is \$6.08. Under the bill, a person obtaining a "Cuyahoga Heights Schools" license plate must pay an administrative fee of \$10, the purpose of which is to compensate the BMV for additional services required in issuing the plate. The administrative fees will be credited to the Public Safety – Highway

Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0),<sup>1</sup> which is used in part to pay the BMV's expenses related to titling motor vehicles, licensing drivers, and registering motor vehicles. The magnitude of the annual revenues and expenditures generated by the license plate will depend upon demand, which is uncertain.

### **Cuyahoga Heights Local School District**

The \$30 contribution paid for the issuance of the "Cuyahoga Heights Schools" license plate will be credited to the existing License Plate Contribution Fund (Fund 5V10) and then paid to the Cuyahoga Heights Local School District. Cuyahoga Heights Local School District is required to use the contributions it receives to pay the expenses it incurs in providing specified services to the school's students that assist in developing or maintaining the mental and emotional well-being of the students. The amount of revenue generated for the Cuyahoga Heights Local School District will depend upon demand for the license plate, which is uncertain.

The bill also subjects the Cuyahoga Heights Local School District to an annual reporting requirement that, under existing state law, applies to certain local schools or school districts for which a license plate is established. By December 1 of each year, Cuyahoga Heights Local School District must submit the report to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and to the Registrar of Motor Vehicles. If the school district fails to submit the report by December 31 of any year, the Registrar must divert the contribution for each registration involving the school license plate, which it would otherwise receive, to the Treasurer of State for deposit into the state's General Revenue Fund. Once the Registrar receives a report from the school district, the Registrar must immediately resume transmitting the contributions for that plate to the Treasurer of State for distribution to the school district.

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<sup>1</sup> The Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) was created in H.B. 26 of the 132nd General Assembly to consolidate the existing State Bureau of Motor Vehicles Fund (Fund 4W40), State Highway Safety Fund (Fund 7036), Highway Safety Salvage and Exchange Administration Fund (Fund 8300), and Highway Safety Salvage and Exchange Highway Patrol Fund (Fund 8410). Fund 5TM0 became effective on July 1, 2017.