



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: S.B. 252 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by Senate Ways & Means

Sponsor: Sen. Peterson

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Authorizes simultaneous holding of dual offices in specified circumstances

The first of the bill's provisions does not appear to have any fiscal impact on political subdivisions. It gives authority for an elected official of a county, township, or municipal corporation that has levied a hotel lodging excise tax under current law, or anyone appointed by those officials, to simultaneously serve in this elected or appointed position *and* as a member or officer of the board of trustees of a convention and visitors' bureau. The bill further specifies that holding two positions simultaneously does not constitute the simultaneous holding of incompatible offices or employment. The bill does, however, permit a municipal corporation or chartered county to adopt a more restrictive policy that bars these persons from holding these positions simultaneously.

Counties or municipalities might incur some small administrative expense under the second provision of the bill. It requires a county auditor or fiscal office of a municipal corporation, upon request, to provide the executive director of a convention and visitor's bureau operating in the county with the tax return information of a hotel subject to a lodging tax by the county or municipal corporation.

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