



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Final Analysis

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Effective date: February 1, 2016

ACT SUMMARY

- Designates October as "Rett Syndrome Awareness Month."

CONTENT AND OPERATION

The act designates October as "Rett Syndrome Awareness Month."¹

Rett syndrome is a genetic neurodevelopmental disorder that affects girls almost exclusively. It is characterized by normal early growth and development followed by a slowing of development, loss of purposeful use of the hands, distinctive hand movements, slowed brain and head growth, problems with walking, seizures, and intellectual disability. Although it is a genetic disorder, most cases occur randomly

* This version reflects a Revised Code number change.

¹ R.C. 5.233.

rather than through heredity. According to estimates available in 2015, Rett syndrome affects one in every 10,000 to 15,000 live female births worldwide.²

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	03-09-15
Reported, S. Health & Human Services	06-17-15
Passed Senate (32-0)	06-30-15
Reported, H. Health & Aging	10-07-15
Passed House (98-0)	10-07-15

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² U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, *Rett Syndrome Fact Sheet* (July 27, 2015), available at www.ninds.nih.gov/disorders/rett/detail_rett.htm.

