



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Bill Analysis

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(As Introduced)

**Reps.** DeVitis and Patmon, Roegner, Reece, Hood, Perales, Gonzales, Antani, Butler, Lepore-Hagan, Phillips, Dever, S. O'Brien

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## BILL SUMMARY

- Prohibits state institutions of higher education from charging overload fees to students for courses taken in excess of the institution's full course load, except in specified circumstances.

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

The bill prohibits state institutions of higher education from charging overload fees to students for courses taken in excess of the institution's full course load, except for credit hours taken in excess of 18 credit hours per semester (or the equivalent number of credit hours per quarter, as determined by the board of trustees of each institution).

An "overload fee" is defined by the bill as "a fee or increased tuition rate charged to students who enroll in courses for a total number of credit hours in excess of a full course load." The bill further specifies that each board of trustees must define what constitutes a "full course load" at that institution. For example, if the board defines its full course load as 15 credit hours per semester, the bill prohibits that institution from charging an overload fee to a student for credit hours 16, 17, or 18. But it can charge the overload fee for any credits over 18.

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
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