



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 35 of the 131st G.A.

Date: February 17, 2015

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor: Reps. Retherford and Hood

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Firearm seizure prohibitions

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill: (1) prohibits, except under certain conditions, any agency and its personnel from seizing any firearm from a person lawfully in possession or control of the firearm, (2) specifies the conditions under which a seized firearm must be returned, and (3) prohibits any person from enforcing a firearm registration requirement or firearm ban imposed by law, unless the requirement or ban is in effect before the bill's effective date. A violation of (3) above is a first degree felony.

The expectation is that law enforcement and other regulatory agencies generally adhere to laws and prohibitions enacted by the legislature, and that in the case of this bill, will comply with its prohibitions. This means that a violation of any of its prohibitions should be relatively infrequent and there will be no discernible ongoing fiscal effect on the state or any of its political subdivisions to comply or to address alleged violations.

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