



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: S.B. 315 of the 131st G.A. **Date:** May 11, 2016

Status: As Reported by House Finance **Sponsor:** Sen. Manning

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Establishes supplemental appropriations for transportation purposes and declares an emergency

State Fiscal Highlights

- The bill provides the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) with additional appropriations for highway construction, transit, and other transportation projects. These appropriations total \$375.4 million in FY 2016 and \$308.8 million in FY 2017, and would supplement the Department's current appropriations contained in H.B. 53 of the 131st General Assembly, the transportation budget act for the current biennium.
- The appropriations are available for ODOT to spend because three sources of revenue were received, or are anticipated to be received, by ODOT over the FY 2016-FY 2017 biennium. These sources include: (1) federal funding as a result of Congressional passage of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015, (2) federal funding awarded under the TIGER Discretionary Grant Program operated by the U.S. Department of Transportation, and (3) moneys authorized for ODOT from the sale of bonds issued by the Ohio Turnpike Commission.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill provides the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) with additional appropriations for highway construction, transit, and other transportation projects. These appropriations total \$375.4 million in FY 2016 and \$308.8 million in FY 2017, and are in addition to the Department's appropriations contained in H.B. 53 of the 131st General Assembly, the transportation budget act for the current biennium. The bill contains an emergency clause.

The appropriations are available for ODOT to spend because three sources of revenue were received, or are anticipated to be received, by ODOT over the FY 2016-FY 2017 biennium. Specifically, the additional money comes from (1) federal funding available to Ohio as a result of Congressional passage of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act of 2015, (2) federal funding for two grants awarded to Ohio projects under the TIGER Discretionary Grant Program operated by the U.S. Department of Transportation, and (3) moneys authorized for use by ODOT from the sale of bonds issued by the Ohio Turnpike Commission.

Under the bill, the supplemental funding is deposited into the Highway Operating Fund (Fund 7002) for use under three particular line items:

1. 772422, Highway Construction – Federal, slated for an added \$95.4 million in FY 2016 and \$130 million in FY 2017;
2. 772425, Highway Construction – Turnpike, provided an extra \$280 million in FY 2016 and \$170 million in FY 2017; and
3. 775452, Public Transportation – Federal, appropriated an additional \$8.8 million in FY 2017.

These appropriations would supplement the existing appropriations under H.B. 53 of the 131st General Assembly, the transportation budget act for the FY 2016-FY 2017 biennium.