



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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S.B. 291*

131st General Assembly
(As Reported by H. Health & Aging)

Sens. Yuko, Brown, Cafaro, Gentile, Gardner, Hite, Beagle, Tavares, Bacon, Balderson, Burke, Coley, Eklund, Faber, Hackett, Hottinger, Hughes, Jones, LaRose, Lehner, Manning, Obhof, Oelslager, Patton, Peterson, Sawyer, Skindell, Thomas, Uecker, Williams

BILL SUMMARY

- Designates September as "Pain Awareness Month."

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Pain Awareness Month

The bill designates the month of September as "Pain Awareness Month."¹

In declaring September as "Pain Awareness Month," the bill specifies that the General Assembly recognizes that physical pain affects tens of millions of Americans and that untreated or inadequately treated pain can diminish quality of life and result in economic loss to Ohio through medical expenses, lost wages, reduced productivity, and other costs. The General Assembly considers increasing public awareness of physical pain and promoting access to appropriate pain treatment for all Ohioans vital to reducing suffering and removing barriers to pain-free living.²

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the House Health & Aging Committee appeared in the House Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

¹ R.C. 5.29.

² Section 2.

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	03-07-16
Reported, S. Health & Human Services	05-18-16
Passed Senate (33-0)	05-24-16
Reported, H. Health & Aging	---

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