



# OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

**Bill:** H.B. 66 of the 132nd G.A.  
(L\_132\_0705-7)

**Status:** In House Higher Education and Workforce Development

**Sponsor:** Rep. R. Young

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

**Subject:** Committee to evaluate tenured faculty participation in undergraduate education

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The bill establishes a committee to study and evaluate each state university's contribution to the undergraduate mission, with a specific emphasis on ensuring each tenured faculty member's meaningful participation in undergraduate instruction through face-to-face interaction with students. The committee consists of eight members, including the Chancellor of Higher Education and the president and chief executive officer of the Inter-University Council of Ohio, or their designees, acting as co-chairpersons; two faculty members from state universities; two chief academic officers from state universities; the chairperson of the House Higher Education and Workforce Development Committee; and the chairperson of the Senate Education Committee.

The committee must meet at least six times, submit a written report of its findings and recommendations within one year of the bill's effective date, and conduct a public presentation of its findings and recommendations to both the House Higher Education and Workforce Development and Senate Education committees within 60 days of submitting the written report. The workload of the Department of Higher Education (DHE) may increase if it provides administrative support to the committee.

### Synopsis of Fiscal Effect Changes

The substitute bill (L\_132\_0705-7) removes all provisions in the previous bill (L\_132\_0705-6) and adds the provision establishing the committee to evaluate tenured faculty participation in undergraduate education. Thus, the substitute bill may increase DHE's administrative workload if it supports the committee, but it also eliminates the previous bill's increases in administrative workload for DHE to develop standards for annual performance reviews for tenured faculty at state universities and to review for discontinuance any program within an academic unit of a state university with relatively low enrollment. It also eliminates the previous bill's potential increase in administrative costs for state universities to conduct annual performance reviews and to develop remediation plans for faculty members whose evaluations indicate a failure to contribute to the undergraduate mission.