



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: S.B. 239 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by Senate Government Oversight & Reform

Sponsor: Sen. Dolan

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Modifies the laws governing regional councils of government

The bill makes changes to the law governing regional councils of government (COGs) that do not appear to directly affect the revenues or expenditures of COGs or their member political subdivisions. Rather, the bill makes changes that clarify the status of COGs relative to the Public Records Law and the Ethics Law. The bill also specifies that under certain circumstances involving violations of the Ethics Law or related criminal offenses by a COG employee, the COG is not required to defend or indemnify the employee. In these cases, COGs would avoid the expense of providing legal services to those employees.

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