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*Bill Analysis*  
*Legislative Service Commission*

**H.B. 340**  
123rd General Assembly  
(As Introduced)

**Reps. Damschroder, Hood, Grendell, Taylor**

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**BILL SUMMARY**

- Prohibits a General Assembly member who has been elected to fill a vacancy in the General Assembly by that member's party caucus from holding that office for a period of four years after the last day of the member's term.

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**CONTENT AND OPERATION**

The Ohio Constitution (Section 11 of Article II) requires that a vacancy in the Senate or House of Representatives be filled by the members of the Senate or House of Representatives, as the case may be, who are affiliated with the same political party as the person who was last elected by the electors of the particular district to the seat that has become vacant. Under the bill, a member of the Senate or House of Representatives who, pursuant to this provision, is elected to fill a vacancy is ineligible to hold the same office to which the member is elected for a period of four years after the last day of the member's term (sec. 3.16).

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**HISTORY**

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