



H.B. 705*

123rd General Assembly

(As Reported by S. State & Local Gov't & Veterans Affairs)

Reps. Aslanides, Harris, Pringle, Peterson, Carey, Metzger, Schuring, Trakas, Wilson, Distel, Van Vyven, Grendell, Terwilleger, Willamowski, Mettler, Cates, Krebs, Jacobson, Schuler, DePiero, Taylor, Verich, Ogg, Clancy, Tiberi, Bender, Allen, Buehrer, Hollister, Gardner, Evans, Krupinski, Young, Barrett, Salerno

BILL SUMMARY

- Permits a board of township trustees to erect a monument commemorating deceased members of the armed forces without first receiving a petition from electors in the township.
- Increases the maximum appropriation a township may expend for such a monument from \$500 to \$5,000.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Under current law, whenever a board of township trustees is presented with a petition that is signed by not less than 30% of the electors of the township and that requests a "suitable" monument be erected to commemorate "soldiers and sailors" who died in the service of the United States or of Ohio, the board can appropriate not more than \$500 of township funds for the purpose of erecting the monument. The monument must be erected according to plans and specifications the board furnishes or approves. (Sec. 517.30.)

The bill changes these provisions so that the board need not receive a petition to erect such a monument and updates the phrase "soldiers and sailors" to refer instead to "members of the armed forces." In addition, the bill increases the

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maximum amount of township dollars that can be expended for the monument from \$500 to \$5,000. (Sec. 517.30.)

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE	JOURNAL ENTRY
Introduced	05-16-00	p. 1964
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Reported, S. State & Local Gov't & Veterans Affairs	---	---

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