



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Final Analysis

Daniel M. DeSantis

### H.B. 459

129th General Assembly  
(As Passed by the General Assembly)

**Reps.** Hottinger, Slesnick, Thompson, Gonzales, Cera, Terhar, Gardner, Brenner, Stinziano, Rose, Dovilla, Young, R. Adams, Hayes, Martin, Beck, Milkovich, Ruhl, Stebelton, Yuko, Garland, Gerberry, O'Brien, Fende, Hackett, Grossman, Goodwin, Bupp, Matheney, Maag, Henne, Blessing, Buchy, Celeste, Combs, Letson, Lundy, Patmon, Sprague, J. Adams, Amstutz, Anielski, Antonio, Ashford, Baker, Barnes, Blair, Boyce, Boyd, Budish, Carney, Celebrezze, Clyde, Conditt, Damschroder, Derickson, DeVitis, Driehaus, Duffey, Fedor, Goyal, C. Hagan, R. Hagan, Hall, Heard, Hill, Huffman, Johnson, Kozlowski, Landis, Lynch, Mallory, McClain, McGregor, Newbold, Okey, Pelanda, Pillich, Reece, Roegner, Rosenberger, Scherer, Schuring, Sears, M. Slaby, Smith, Stautberg, Sykes, Szollosi, Uecker, Wachtmann, Winburn, Batchelder

**Sens.** LaRose, Brown, Bacon, Balderson, Beagle, Burke, Cafaro, Coley, Eklund, Faber, Gentile, Hite, Hughes, Jones, Jordan, Lehner, Manning, Niehaus, Obhof, Oelslager, Patton, Peterson, Schaffer, Schiavoni, Skindell, Smith, Tavares, Wagoner, Widener

**Effective date:** March 22, 2013

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## ACT SUMMARY

- Declares that Ohio is a "Purple Heart State."

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

The act declares that Ohio is a "Purple Heart State," the first such state in the United States. The act honors combat wounded veterans for their service and sacrifice, thereby allowing the United States to maintain its sovereignty.

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	02-16-12
Reported, H. State Government & Elections	05-09-12
Passed House (95-0)	05-23-12
Reported, S. State & Local Gov't & Veterans Affairs	12-06-12
Passed Senate (33-0)	12-13-12