



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Final Analysis

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### Am. S.B. 222

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

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**Effective date:** March 22, 2013

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## ACT SUMMARY

- Requires the display of the United States flag, the Ohio flag, and the POW/MIA flag at each rest stop along an interstate highway and along the Ohio Turnpike.
- Requires the Director and the Turnpike Commission to comply with the existing system of preferences for products made in Ohio and the United States when purchasing the flags.

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## CONTENT AND OPERATION

The act requires the Director of Transportation to display the United States flag, the Ohio flag, and the POW/MIA flag at each rest stop that is along the interstate system.<sup>1</sup> Similarly, the Ohio Turnpike Commission is required to display the three flags at each rest stop along the turnpike.<sup>2</sup>

The act also requires the Director and the Turnpike Commission, when purchasing the flags, to conform, to the maximum extent possible, to the existing

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<sup>1</sup> R.C. 5529.07(A).

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 5537.35(A).

system of preferences for products made in Ohio and the United States.<sup>3</sup> The continuing "Buy Ohio" program is managed by the Department of Administrative Services and, in general, bids for supplies and services are evaluated first to determine whether a bidder is offering a product made in the United States and then if the bidder is offering a product that qualifies as Ohio produced. Ohio bidders receive a 5% preference over the price offered by a non-Ohio bidder.<sup>4</sup>

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## HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	09-15-11
Reported, S. Highways & Transportation	11-21-11
Passed Senate (33-0)	12-14-11
Reported, H. Transportation, Public Safety & Homeland Security	05-23-12
Passed House (92-0)	12-12-12

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<sup>3</sup> R.C. 5529.07(B) and 5537.35(B).

<sup>4</sup> R.C. 125.09 and 125.11 (not in the act); O.A.C. 123:5-1-06.

