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DNRCD2 Natural Resources Publications Fund Repeal

R.C. 1501.031, (Repealed), Section 512.60

Repeals the section of the Revised Code establishing the Natural Resources Publications and Promotional Materials Fund (Fund 5080);

Requires the Director of Budget and Management to transfer the remaining cash balance in the fund as of July 1, 2011 to the Departmental Projects Fund (Fund 1550) and the Geological Mapping Fund (Fund 5110), and to cancel all outstanding encumbrances against SSR Fund 5080 appropriation item 725684, Natural Resources Publications, and re-establish them against GSF Fund 1550 appropriation item 725601, Departmental Projects, and SSR Fund 5110 appropriation item 725646, Ohio Geological Mapping;

Abolishes the Natural Resources Publications and Promotional Materials Fund upon completion of the transfer and requires all moneys from the sales of departmental publications and promotional materials as of July 1, 2011 to be credited to the Departmental Projects Fund (Fund 1550) or the Geological Mapping Fund (Fund 5110) as determined by the Director.

**Fiscal effect: Gains in publication revenues to the Departmental Projects Fund (Fund 1550) and the Geological Mapping Fund (Fund 5110) would offset the elimination of the Natural Resources Publications and Promotional Materials Fund (Fund 5080).**

R.C. 1501.031, (Repealed), Section 512.60

Same as the Executive.

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**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

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DNRCD10      Forestry Personal Service Contracts

R.C.      1503.05

Authorizes the Chief of the Division of Forestry to enter into personal services contracts for consulting services to assist in the sale of timber, forest products, and related inventory. Requires compensation for such consulting services to be paid from the proceeds of the sales that are the subject of the contract.

**Fiscal effect: Potential increase in expenditures from the State Forest Fund (Fund 5090) to pay personal services contracts, which may be offset by timber sales.**

R.C.      1503.05

Same as the Executive.

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

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**DNRCD6            Division of Geological Survey**

R.C.        *1505.01, 1505.011, 1505.04-1505.06,  
1505.09, 1505.11, 1505.99*

Revises the duties of the Division of Geological Survey to (1) include dolomite, aggregates, sand, gravel, oil, and natural gas in the list of materials collected and studied by the Division; (2) add environmental, health, welfare, and public safety concerns to the list of considerations for its studies and reports; (3) require the making and storing of maps, diagrams, profiles, and geologic sections to be cataloged and available in perpetuity and to add data, records, rock cores, and samples as other information that must be so cataloged and made available; (4) authorize the Division to collaborate with other state agencies, other state governments, or the federal government on geological issues, and requires such collaboration when requested by such entities; (5) permit the Division to create custom maps, data sets, or other products for government agencies, colleges and universities, and other persons; and (6) permit the Division to provide information on the geology of the state to such entities.

Specifies that any custom maps, data sets, or other products created by the Division for colleges and universities, governmental agencies, or other persons are intellectual property records under the Public Records Law. Requires such records for persons to be held confidential pursuant to a contract and authorizes such records for colleges and universities and governmental agencies to be held confidential pursuant to a contract.

R.C.        *1505.01, 1505.011, 1505.04-1505.06,  
1505.09, 1505.11, 1505.99*

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Requires the Chief of the Division of Geological Survey to adopt rules that establish fee schedules for requests for (1) data from geologic records, maps, and samples that may include the costs of specialized storage, programming, labor, research, retrieval, data manipulation, and copying and mailing; and (2) custom maps, data sets, and other custom products, and for providing geological information that may include the costs of labor, research, analysis, equipment, and technology. Permits the Chief to waive a fee for a student enrolled in an institution of higher education. Requires any revision to a fee schedule to be reviewed by the Ohio Geology Advisory Council and approved by the Director of Natural Resources. Requires all revenue from such fees to be deposited in the Geological Mapping Fund (Fund 5110).

Adds geologic hazards and energy resources to the list of subjects on which reports and maps funded by the Geological Mapping Fund may be produced.

Requires any person who fails to comply with well log filing requirements to be fined not less than \$100 and not more than \$1,000 for a first offense, and not less than \$1,000 but not more than \$2,000 for a second and any subsequent offense.

**Fiscal effect: Potential gain in fee and fine revenues to the Geological Mapping Fund (Fund 5110).**

Same as the Executive, but further requires that any revision to a fee schedule be made in rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

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**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

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DNRCD27 Oil and Gas Law Changes

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No provision.	<p><b>R.C. 1509.01, 1509.02-1509.022, 1509.04</b></p> <p>Adds oil and gas well stimulation and completion as an aspect of the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management's statewide comprehensive plan, and specifies that the plan includes site construction and the permitting of discharges related to site construction and restoration.</p>
No provision.	<p>Prohibits a new oil or gas well or tank battery from being located within 50 feet of a stream, river, watercourse, water well, pond, lake, or other body of water. Authorizes the Chief of Oil and Gas Resources Management to reduce that distance if it is determined necessary to reduce the impacts to the owner of the land or to protect public safety or the environment.</p>
No provision.	<p>Allows the surface location of a new directionally drilled well to be located on a parcel that is not part of the well's drilling unit if the surface location is in compliance with setback requirements.</p>
No provision.	<p>Expands the definition of "production operation."</p>
No provision.	<p>Authorizes the Chief of Oil and Gas Resources Management to issue compliance notices.</p>

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DNRCD4                      Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management

R.C.      1509.02, 121.04, 124.24, 1501.022, 1509.01, 1509.021, 1509.03-1509.15, 1509.17, 1509.181, 1509.19, 1509.21-1509.29, 1509.31-1509.34, 1509.36, 1509.38, 1509.40, 1509.50, 1510.01, 1510.08, 1561.06, 1561.12, 1561.13, 1561.35, 1561.49, 1563.06, 1563.24, 1563.28, 1571.01, 1571.012-1571.014, 1571.02-1571.06, 1571.08-1571.11, 1571.14, 1571.16, 1571.18, 1571.99, 3750.081, 6111.044, Section 515.20

Creates the Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management in the Department of Natural Resources and transfers to it all current functions and duties of the Division of Mineral Resources Management related to oil and gas.

**Fiscal effect: No change in revenues or expenditures for oil and gas programs, but creates a new organizational division to house these existing functions.**

R.C.      1509.02, 121.04, 124.24, 1501.022, 1509.01, 1509.021, 1509.03-1509.15, 1509.17, 1509.181, 1509.19, 1509.21-1509.29, 1509.31-1509.34, 1509.36, 1509.38, 1509.40, 1509.50, 1510.01, 1510.08, 1561.06, 1561.12, 1561.13, 1561.35, 1561.49, 1563.06, 1563.24, 1563.28, 1571.01, 1571.012-1571.014, 1571.02-1571.06, 1571.08-1571.11, 1571.14, 1571.16, 1571.18, 1571.99, 3750.081, 6111.044, Section 515.20

Same as the Executive.

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

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**DNRCD3                      Absorption of Division of Natural Areas and Preserves by the Division of Parks and Recreation**

R.C.     *1517.02, (1541.51), 109.71, 121.04, 145.01, 317.08, 742.63, 1501.04, 1501.45, 1506.35, 1513.02, 1517.01 (1541.50), 1517.021 (1541.52), 1517.03-1517.13 (1541.53-1541.64), 1517.21-1517.26 (1541.80-1541.85), 1518.01-1518.05 (1541.70-1541.74), 1531.131, 1531.17, 1541.99, 2935.01, 2935.03, 3714.03, 5709.09, 5747.113, Sections 512.50 and 515.10, Repealed: R.C. 1517.99, 1518.99*

Eliminates the Division of Natural Areas and Preserves and transfers all of the Division's current duties and responsibilities to the Division of Parks and Recreation.

No provision.

Eliminates the Natural Areas and Preserves Law Enforcement Fund (Fund 5EK0) and transfers the remaining balance in that fund to the Parks and Recreation Law Enforcement Fund (Fund 5EM0); requires the Director of Budget and Management to cancel existing encumbrances against SSR Fund 5EK0 appropriation item 725611, Natural Areas and Preserves Law Enforcement, and re-establish them against Fund 5EM0 appropriation item 725613, Park Law Enforcement, and also appropriates the transferred amount to appropriation item 725613; and abolishes Fund 5EK0 upon completion of the transfer.

No provision.

Renames the Natural Areas and Preserves Fund (Fund 5220) the Natural Areas and Preserves and State Parks Fund, and adds acquisition of parks and recreation properties; parks and recreation projects; and maintenance, repair, and renovation of parks and

No provision.

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recreation facilities to the list of purposes for which money in the fund may be used.

**Fiscal effect: Potential consolidation of administrative costs for parks and natural areas and preserves; essentially codifies organizational changes begun in the FY 2010-FY 2011 biennium.**

**DNRCD7            Transfer of Ohio Natural Heritage Database to Division of Wildlife**

R.C.        *1531.04, 1517.02*

Transfers the management of the Ohio Natural Heritage Database from the Division of Natural Areas and Preserves to the Division of Wildlife, and requires the Chief of the Division of Wildlife, in addition to the Chief of the Division of Parks and Recreation, to prepare and maintain surveys and inventories of rare and endangered species of plants and animals and other unique natural features for inclusion in the database.

**Fiscal effect: Moves the costs of the database and related duties to the Wildlife Fund (Fund 7015).**

R.C.        *1531.04, 1517.02*

Same as the Executive.

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

**DNRCD26            Oil and Natural Gas Drilling on State Park Land**

R.C.        *1541.03, 1541.25, 1541.26*

Authorizes the Chief of the Division of Parks and Recreation, with the approval of the Director of Natural Resources, to sell, lease, or transfer minerals or mineral rights, specifically oil or natural gas, on state-owned lands administered by the Division, and to enter into contracts for drilling for oil and gas.

R.C.        *1541.03, 1541.25, 1541.26*

Same as the Executive.

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Requires money collected from oil and gas leases to be credited to the State Park Fund (Fund 5120), and requires money collected from oil and gas royalties to be credited to the Parks Mineral Royalties Trust Fund.

Same as the Executive.

Creates the Parks Mineral Royalties Trust Fund in the custody of the Treasurer of State and in the state treasury; requires money in the Trust Fund to be used by the Division for capital improvements, maintenance, repairs, and renovations on state properties administered by the Division.

Same as the Executive, but clarifies that the Parks Mineral Royalties Trust Fund is a custodial fund that is not a part of the state treasury.

Creates the Parks Mineral Royalties Fund in the State Treasury; specifies that the fund is to consist of investment earnings of the Parks Mineral Royalties Trust Fund and any principal transferred from the Trust Fund; and authorizes the annual transfer of up to 10% of the principal of the Trust Fund to the Parks Mineral Royalties Fund.

Same as the Executive.

Requires money in the Parks Mineral Royalties Fund to be used to facilitate capital improvements, maintenance, repairs, and renovations on state properties administered by the Division of Parks and Recreation.

Same as the Executive.

**Fiscal effect: Gain in revenues from lease payments to the State Park Fund (Fund 5120); gain in revenues from royalties to the newly created Parks Mineral Royalties Trust Fund and Parks Mineral Royalties Fund. Revenues would depend upon land valuations, royalty rates, oil and gas prices, and other factors.**

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

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DNRCD8

Sale of Timber and Forest Products on State Park Land

R.C. 1541.05

Allows the Chief of the Division of Parks and Recreation to sell or otherwise lawfully dispose of forest products that require management for specified reasons, in addition to timber as provided in current law, and adds the implementation of sustainable forestry practices to the list of reasons for selling or disposing of timber or forest products.

Allows the Chief of the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Chief of the Division of Forestry to allow the Division of Forestry to manage the sale of timber and forest products on the lands of the Division of Parks and Recreation.

Requires 75% of the proceeds from the sale of timber or forest products on Division of Parks and Recreation lands to be credited to the State Park Fund (Fund 5120), and 25% to be credited to the State Forest Fund (Fund 5090).

**Fiscal effect: Potential increase in revenues to the State Park Fund (Fund 5120) and the State Forest Fund (Fund 5090) from timber and forest product sales on state park lands.**

R.C. 1541.05

Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

Same as the Executive.

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**

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**DNRCD9            Transfer from the Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund to the Mine Safety Fund**

**R.C.        4131.03**

Requires the Administrator of Workers' Compensation, when requested by the Director of Natural Resources, to transfer annually an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000, rather than an unspecified amount as in current law, from the investment earnings of the Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund to the Mine Safety Fund (Fund 5CU0).

**Fiscal effect: Caps the annual amount that may be transferred to the Mine Safety Fund at \$3,000,000.**

**R.C.        4131.03**

Same as the Executive, but authorizes an additional annual transfer of up to \$1,500,000 to the Coal Mining Administration and Reclamation Reserve Fund (Fund 5260) during the biennium.

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but authorizes an additional amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 annually to be transferred to the Coal Mining Administration and Reclamation Reserve Fund (Fund 5260).**

**DNRCD12            Central Support Indirect**

**Section:    343.20**

Requires, with the exception of the Division of Wildlife, the Department of Natural Resources to utilize a methodology for determining each division's payments into the Central Support Indirect Fund (Fund 1570). Requires the methodology to have administrative ease and uniform application in compliance with federal grant requirements. Permits the methodology to include direct cost charges for specific services.

**Section:    343.20**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD13 Well Log Filing Fees**

**Section: 343.30**

Requires the Chief of the Division of Soil and Water Resources to deposit well log filing fees into the Departmental Projects Fund (Fund 1550).

**Section: 343.30**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD14 Lease Rental Payments**

**Section: 343.40**

Requires GRF appropriation item 725413, Lease Rental Payments, to be used to meet all required payments during the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013 pursuant to leases under section 154.22 of the Revised Code, and specified that these appropriations are the source of funds for bond service charges for obligations pledged under that section.

**Section: 343.40**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD15 Canal Lands**

**Section: 343.40**

Requires GRF appropriation item 725456, Canal Lands, to be used to transfer funds to the Canal Lands Fund (Fund 4300) to provide operating expenses for the Canal Lands Program, subject to approval by the Director of Budget and Management.

**Section: 343.40**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD16      Natural Resources General Obligation Debt Service****Section: 343.40**

Requires GRF appropriation item 725903, Natural Resources General Obligation Debt Service, to be used to pay all debt service and related financing costs during the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2013 on obligations issued under sections 151.01 and 151.05 of the Revised Code.

**Section: 343.40**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD17      Law Enforcement Administration****Section: 343.40.10**

Requires GSF Fund 2230 appropriation item 725665, Law Enforcement Administration, to be used to cover support, coordination, and oversight costs of the Department of Natural Resources' law enforcement functions. Requires Fund 2230 to consist of cash transferred to it via intrastate transfer voucher from other funds as determined by the directors of Natural Resources and Budget and Management.

**Section: 343.40.10**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD18 Fountain Square****Section: 343.40.20**

Requires GSF Fund 6350 appropriation item 725664, Fountain Square Facilities Management, to be used for payment of repairs, renovation, utilities, property management, and building maintenance expenses for the Fountain Square complex, and requires Fund 6350 to consist of cash transferred to it from other divisions and rental income via intrastate transfer voucher.

**Section: 343.40.20**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD19 Soil and Water Districts****Section: 343.40.30**

Permits the Director of Natural Resources to use SSR Fund 5BV0 appropriation item 725683, Soil and Water Districts, to pay any soil and water district an annual amount of up to \$40,000, in addition to payments authorized by section 1515.10 of the Revised Code, upon receipt of a request and justification from the district and approval by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission. Requires county auditors to deposit such payments in county soil and water district funds, and requires such moneys to be spent for the purposes of soil and water districts.

**Section: 343.40.30**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD20 Oil and Gas Well Plugging**

**Section: 343.40.30**

Requires SSR Fund 5180 appropriation item 725677, Oil and Gas Well Plugging, to be used exclusively for the purposes of plugging idle and abandoned oil and gas wells and properly restoring land surfaces. Prohibits the appropriation item from being used for salaries, maintenance, equipment, or any other administrative costs except those directly attributable to plugging a well, or for the transfer of cash to any other fund or appropriation item.

**Section: 343.40.30**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD21 Litter Control and Recycling**

**Section: 343.40.30**

Requires up to \$1,500,000 in each fiscal year from SSR Fund 5320 appropriation item 725644, Litter Control and Recycling, to be used for the administration of the Recycling and Litter Prevention Program.

**Section: 343.40.30**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD22 Clean Ohio Operating Expenses**

**Section: 343.40.40**

Requires Clean Ohio Conservation Fund Group Fund 7061 appropriation item 725405, Clean Ohio Operating, to be used to administer projects under the Clean Ohio Trail Fund (Fund 7061) pursuant to section 1519.05 of the Revised Code.

**Section: 343.40.40**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD23      Watercraft Marine Patrol**

**Section: 343.40.50**

Requires up to \$200,000 in each fiscal year from Waterways Safety Fund Group Fund 7086 appropriation item 739401, Division of Watercraft, to be used for the purchase of equipment for qualifying marine patrols, and requires proposals for equipment to accompany an application for a marine patrol subsidy loaned to eligible patrols pursuant to a cooperative agreement between the patrol and the Department of Natural Resources.

**Section: 343.40.50**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD28      Transfer for Caesar Creek Marina**

No provision.

**Section: 343.40.60**

Authorizes the transfer of up to \$4,000,000 in cash from the Watercraft Revolving Loan Fund (Fund 5AW0) to the Waterways Safety Fund (Fund 7086) to support a marina project at Caesar Creek State Park.

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**DNRCD24 Parks Capital Expenses Fund**

**Section: 343.50**

Requires the Director of Natural Resources to submit to the Director of Budget and Management the estimated costs of design, engineering, and planning for capital projects to be undertaken by DNR staff under the Ohio Parks and Recreation Improvement Fund (Fund 7035); requires approved costs to be released from Fund 7035 appropriation item C725E6, Project Planning; requires these costs to be paid for from the Parks Capital Expenses Fund (Fund 2270); and requires expenses paid from Fund 2270 to be reimbursed from Fund 7035.

**Section: 343.50**

Same as the Executive.

**DNRCD25 NatureWorks Capital Expenses Fund**

**Section: 343.50**

Requires the Department of Natural Resources to periodically submit to the Director of Budget and Management the estimated design, planning, and engineering costs of capital projects to be performed by DNR staff under the Ohio Parks and Natural Resources Fund (Fund 7031); requires approved costs to be released from Fund 7031 appropriation item C725E5, Project Planning; requires these expenses to be paid from the Capital Expenses Fund (Fund 4S90); and requires expenses paid from Fund 4S90 to be reimbursed from Fund 7031.

**Section: 343.50**

Same as the Executive.

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**DNRCD11 Conservation Program Delivery Task Force**

**Section: 715.10**

Requires the Soil and Water Conservation Commission to create a Conservation Program Delivery Task Force to provide recommendations to the Director of Natural Resources on advancing effective and efficient operations of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

Requires the chair of the Commission to appoint no more than nine members to the Task Force, to consist of members of Soil and Water Conservation District boards of supervisors and other individuals from diverse geographic areas of the state. Permits appointees to include members of the Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service, the County Commissioners Association of Ohio, the Ohio Municipal League, and the Ohio Township Association, and permits the Task Force to consult with those organizations.

Requires the chair of the Commission or another person appointed by the chair to serve as chair of the Task Force.

Requires members of the Task Force to serve without compensation or reimbursement for expenses and requires the Department of Natural Resources' Division of Soil and Water Resources to provide administrative support to the Task Force.

Requires the Task Force to hold its first meeting no later than September 1, 2011 and submit a final report to the Director and the Commission no later than December 31, 2011, and abolishes the Task Force after that date.

**Section: 715.10**

Same as the Executive.

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EPACD11            Extension of Solid Waste Transfer and Disposal Fee

R.C.        *3734.57, 1515.14, 3745.015*

Extends from June 30, 2012, to June 30, 2014, the expiration date of the following fees on the transfer or disposal of solid wastes:

- (1) \$1 per ton the proceeds of which must be divided equally between the Hazardous Waste Facility Management Fund (Fund 5030) and the Hazardous Waste Clean-Up Fund (Fund 5050), which are used for purposes of Ohio's hazardous waste management program;
- (2) \$1 per ton the proceeds of which must be credited to the Solid Waste Fund (Fund 4K30), which is used for the solid and infectious waste and construction and demolition debris management programs; and
- (3) \$2.50 per ton the proceeds of which must be credited to the Environmental Protection Fund (Fund 5BC0), which is used for administering and enforcing environmental protection programs.

No provision.

R.C.        *3734.57, 1515.14, 3745.015*

Same as the Executive.

(1) Same as the Executive.

(2) Same as the Executive.

(3) Same as the Executive.

Extends for one year, through June 30, 2013, the \$0.25 per-ton fee on the transfer or disposal of solid wastes, the proceeds of which are credited to the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0).

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**Fiscal effect: The fee extensions preserve annual revenues totaling: \$6.3 million for Fund 5030, \$6.3 million for Fund 5050, \$12.7 million for Fund 4K30, and \$31.7 million for Fund 5BC0. The Executive budget allows the \$0.25 per-ton fee on the transfer or disposal of solid wastes, the proceeds of which are credited to the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0), to expire effective June 30, 2012 as under current law. This provision will result in a loss of \$3.1 million annually for Fund 5BV0 beginning in FY 2013.**

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, except the one-year extension of the \$0.25 per ton fee deposited to the credit of Fund 5BV0 will preserve annual revenues totaling \$3.1 million.**

EPACD14      Sale of Tire Fees

R.C.      3734.901

(1) Extends for two years the sunset of the 50¢ per-tire fee on the sale of tires the proceeds of which are deposited to the credit of the Scrap Tire Management Fund (Fund 4R50), which is used by the Ohio EPA to fund its scrap tire management program.

(2) Extends for two years the sunset of an additional 50¢ per-tire fee on the sale of tires, and requires all money from the fee to continue to be credited to the Soil and Water Conservation District Assistance Fund (Fund 5BV0), which is used by the Department of Natural Resources to distribute money to each of the state's 88 soil and water conservation districts.

**Fiscal effect: The fee extensions preserve annual revenues totaling \$3.5 million for Fund 4R50 and \$3.5 million for Fund 5BV0.**

R.C.      3734.901

(1) Same as the Executive.

(2) Same as the Executive.

**Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive.**