Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

122nd General Assembly of Ohio

BILL:	**H.B. 26**	DATE:	**February 5, 1997**
STATUS:	**As Introduced**	SPONSOR:	**Rep. Lucas**

LOCAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED: **No — No local cost**

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State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions. The one district in Ohio affected by this bill is established as a non-profit organization, not a political subdivision.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill serves to alter the composition and method for appointment of directors of sanitary districts organized wholly for the purpose of providing a water supply for domestic, municipal and public use. Currently only one of these districts exists in Ohio. It is established as a non-profit organization, not a political subdivision, and receives all of its operating funds from the sale of water.

Under the bill, board members would receive worker's compensation coverage, but would not receive benefits, including medical, dental, vision and life insurance, holiday pay or leave time. Because a member would not be considered a public employee under the bill, the member would not be eligible for membership with the Public Employees Retirement System. Members may be compensated a maximum of $200 per day for 12 days a year. Board members may also receive up to $5,000 per year for reimbursement of meals, lodging and other expenses associated with out-of-state travel. Additionally, any service purchased by a district at a cost of $10,000 or more must be attained through competitive bidding. A district may purchase and pay for all or part of the cost of group insurance policies that provide hospitalization, surgical care, major medical care, disability, dental care, eye care, hearing aids, or prescription drugs.

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