



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: [H.B. 361 of the 128th G.A.](#) **Date:** February 8, 2010
Status: As Reported by House Civil & Commercial Law **Sponsor:** Rep. Murray

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No — No local cost

Contents: Prima-facia evidence of the reasonableness of medical bills

State Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on the state.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.
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Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill modifies an existing "evidence" provision applicable to medical bills in an action for damages arising from personal injury or wrongful death adjudicated by a court of common pleas. Based on LSC fiscal staff's research, including conversations with representatives of the Ohio State Bar Association and the Judicial Conference of Ohio, it does not appear that these modifications will negatively impact the court's caseload (in terms of additional filings, motions, cases, or hearings) or its workload by increasing the complexity of, and time required to resolve, such matters. Assuming that holds true, then the bill will not generate any discernible costs specifically for the courts of common pleas nor for the state and local governments generally.

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