



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: [H.B. 147 of the 129th G.A.](#)

Date: May 10, 2011

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor: Rep. Weddington

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Commercial driver's license disqualifications and waivers

State Fiscal Highlights

- The state's Bureau of Motor Vehicles may incur negligible one-time programming costs to make any necessary changes to its driver conviction database.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill requires the Registrar of Motor Vehicles to disqualify the holder of a commercial driver's license (CDL) from operating a commercial motor vehicle if the holder is convicted of a "municipal OVI conviction." Current law only allows the Registrar to disqualify the holder of a CDL from operating a commercial motor vehicle if the holder is convicted of a "state OVI offense conviction." In order to properly track the number of CDL holders who are convicted of a municipal OVI offense, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles will need to add a new offense code to their driver conviction database. The cost of what is essentially a one-time programming task will be negligible.

The bill, in order to bring state law into compliance with federal law, also eliminates all references in the CDL law to a "waiver" issued to the holder of a restricted CDL for farm-related service industries. State law will continue to allow farmers to operate their farm trucks when hauling to a point of commerce without a CDL. This provision will have no fiscal effect on the state or any of its political subdivisions.

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